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2012 Rule of Law Forum  
**HISTORIC VISIT WITH  
SAUDI DELEGATION**

*Washington, D.C., New York, Dallas*



# 2012 Rule of Law Forum: Saudi Arabia



Since 2004, the law school has hosted twelve Rule of Law Forums with the following countries:

China, Indonesia (2),  
Oman (2), Brunei, Pakistan,  
Egypt, Bahrain, Afghanistan,  
Kyrgyzstan, Saudi Arabia



## 2012 Rule of Law Forum: Saudi delegation

In January 2012, Dean John B. Attanasio hosted and moderated an historic Rule of Law Forum with officials from Saudi Arabia. The distinguished Saudi delegation was led by the Minister of Justice of Saudi Arabia, Dr. Mohammad bin Abdulkareem Al-Issa, and included officials from government, academia, and business. The Saudi delegates met in Washington, D.C. with their American counterparts including Chief Justice John Roberts and Justice Stephen Breyer of the U.S. Supreme Court, Attorney General Eric Holder, Senators Lugar, McCain, Kerry, and Hutchison, and representatives from the Department of State. In New York, they met with senior officials from NASDAQ and the New York Federal Reserve. In Dallas, they met with federal judges and professors from SMU Dedman School of Law. The Minister of Justice presented a lecture to Saudi law students, and a panel discussion, led by seven members of the delegation, was open to all law students. During the delegation's visit, the entire forum received widespread media attention throughout Saudi Arabia. **pg. 4**

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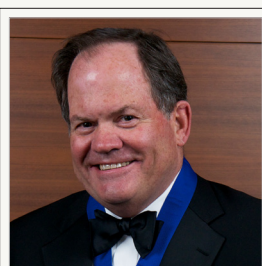
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# HISTORIC RULE OF LAW FORUM

*SMU Dedman School of Law hosts Saudi policymakers*



SMU Dedman School of Law is grateful to Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison, who assisted in founding the Rule of Law Forums. The law school hopes to secure further public or private funding in order to continue the Rule of Law Forum series.

For the past decade, SMU Dedman School of Law has been privileged to host the Rule of Law Forum, which brings leaders of countries from around the globe to the United States to discuss differences and similarities in their legal processes and the American approach to the rule of law.

The objective of the Forum is to foster a conversation about the rule of law. Ten countries have participated, including China, Indonesia, Oman, Brunei, Pakistan, Egypt, Bahrain, Afghanistan, Kyrgyzstan, and Saudi Arabia.

In 2012, the 12th and final Forum hosted Saudi Arabia. For 11 days in January, 17 high-ranking leaders in Saudi government, law, and business met with their U.S. counterparts.

“This was an extraordinary opportunity for Saudi leaders to share with us the strides they are making in reforming their legal system, and it allowed us to explain to them the specifics of our system,” said SMU Dedman Law Dean John Attanasio, who helped develop the Rule of Law Forum and has served as its director.

The Rule of Law Forum was created in 2003 thanks to a series of grants totaling \$3 million sought by U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison. The grant was administered by the U.S. State Department. SMU Dedman School of Law hopes to secure public or private funding in order to continue the Rule of Law Forum.

“Our law students benefited tremendously from hearing directly from some of the most influential Saudi officials,” said Dean Attanasio. “This was an unparalleled educational opportunity for our students, especially those interested in global affairs.”





The Saudi delegation was led by Dr. Mohammed bin Abdulkareem Al-Issa, who is the country's Minister of Justice, which is the equivalent of the U.S. Attorney General. Minister Al-Issa served on the Council of Ministers' Expert Committee to study judicial reform. He also worked on the 2007 Law of the Judiciary, which established the country's new legal system.

## The Saudi delegation met with U.S. Supreme Court Justices, U.S. Senators, the U.S. Attorney General, the FBI Director, State Department officials, and others in Washington, D.C.

In 2009, King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz Al Saud appointed Al-Issa to the position of Minister of Justice.

Others in the Saudi delegation were the Director General of the Institute of Public Administration; the Undersecretary for Higher Educational Affairs; the Director of the largest women's university in Saudi Arabia; the Chairman of the Saudi-American Friendship Committee at the Shura Council; the Director General of the Department of Legal Affairs & International Cooperation at the Ministry of Interior; one of the 12 women advisory members of the Shura Council; the President of the Saudi Bar Association; two high-ranking appellate judges; the Deputy Chair of the Jeddah Chamber of Commerce; the Secretary General of Economic Cities Authority; and Ambassador Adel Al-Jubeir.

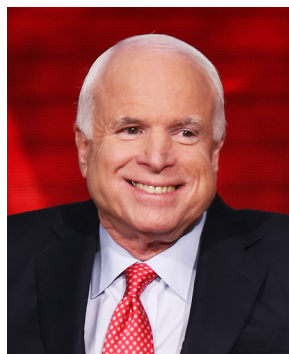
"A substantial number of the delegation had Ph.D.s and, as extraordinarily brilliant people tend to do, they asked a lot of questions about everything ranging from TARP, to the financial bailouts, to securities laws," said Professor Mark McWatters, who is the Director of Graduate Studies at SMU Dedman Law.



**Kay Bailey Hutchison**  
U.S. Senator, Texas



**John Roberts**  
Chief Justice of the United States  
Supreme Court



**John McCain**  
U.S. Senator, Arizona



**Eric Holder**  
U.S. Attorney General



**John Kerry**  
U.S. Senator, Massachusetts



**Richard G. Lugar**  
U.S. Senator, Indiana





Professor McWatters worked with Dean Attanasio in coordinating and running the Saudi Forum.

"I developed these ad hoc tutorials in the lobby of our hotels that would last anywhere from five to 30 minutes," McWatters said. "To me, the most interesting questions they had had to do with our separation of powers. They found it fascinating that five justices on the Supreme Court could reverse or throw out a signature accomplishment of the President, which had been passed by the legislative branch. And they were amazed that Americans would accept those Supreme Court decisions."

Several years ago, working with former Ambassador Robert Jordan, who has taught at the law school, Dean Attanasio initiated conversations with Saudi officials about participating in the Rule of Law Forum.

## Riyadh television broadcast coverage of the Rule of Law Forum on six different evenings as one of the lead stories.

The Forum took place January 15-25 in three cities: New York, Washington, D.C., and Dallas. Most of the sessions lasted about an hour, which included a presentation and a great deal of Q&A.

In New York, the delegation met with the general counsel of NASDAQ and the New York Federal Reserve. While in Washington, Dr. Al-Issa met with Chief Justice John Roberts and Attorney General Eric Holder. The entire group met with Justice Stephen Breyer, FBI Director Robert Mueller, Deputy Secretary of State William Burns, Legal Adviser Harold Koh, Assistant Secretary of State Jeff Feltman, and American Bar Association President Laura Bellows.

The Saudi officials also met with four U.S. Senators: Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison of Texas, Sen. John McCain of Arizona, Sen. John Kerry of Massachusetts, and Sen. Richard Lugar of Indiana.

"The meetings were not just handshakes where photos were taken," said Dean Attanasio. "These were meetings of substance. The fact that this Forum even occurred is extraordinary."





The Forum visited Dallas, where the delegation met with U.S. Chief Judge Sidney Fitzwater and U.S. District Judge Jane Boyle of the Northern District of Texas, as well as two former ambassadors to Saudi Arabia, James Oberwetter, and Robert Jordan. In addition, they had discussions with SMU Dedman Law Professors Anthony J. Colangelo, Joseph J. Norton, Xuan-Thao Nguyen, Ellen Smith Pryor, Marc I. Steinberg, and Jenia Turner.

SMU Dedman law students also benefited greatly from the Forum. Eight members of the delegation spoke to a packed Hillcrest Classroom for more than an hour, discussing judicial reforms and the state of the legal profession in Saudi Arabia.

In addition, 45 Saudi citizens who are law students at SMU Dedman met in private with the Minister of Justice for more than an hour.

## Members of the Saudi delegation spoke to SMU Dedman Law students, discussing judicial reforms and the state of the legal profession in Saudi Arabia.

“This was an extraordinary opportunity for our Saudi students,” said Dean Attanasio. “The students were thrilled.”

The Saudi delegation was followed for most of their visit by Channel 1, which is the prominent television news channel in Riyadh. The news station devoted about five minutes of airtime on six different evenings to the Rule of Law Forum. Video broadcasts throughout Saudi Arabia showed Dr. Al-Issa and the others with various U.S. officials.

Dean Attanasio has visited Saudi Arabia several times since the Forum to continue the conversation and pursue further interaction. ■



# ITINERARY: SAUDI DELEGATION

January 15–25, 2012, Washington, D.C./New York/Dallas

# 3 cities/11 days



## WASHINGTON, D.C.

Chief Justice John Roberts  
Justice Stephen Breyer  
Attorney General Eric Holder  
FBI Director Robert Mueller  
Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison (Texas)  
Sen. John McCain (Arizona)  
Sen. John Kerry (Massachusetts)  
Sen. Richard Lugar (Indiana)  
Deputy Secretary of State William Burns  
Assistant Secretary of State Jeff Feltman  
Legal Adviser Harold Koh  
American Bar Association President Laura Bellows



## NEW YORK

General Counsel of NASDAQ  
New York Federal Reserve



## DALLAS

U.S. Chief Judge Sidney Fitzwater  
U.S. District Judge Jane Boyle (Northern District of Texas)  
James Oberwetter, former U.S. Ambassador to Saudi Arabia  
Robert Jordan, former U.S. Ambassador to Saudi Arabia  
SMU Dedman Law Professors Anthony J. Colangelo,  
Joseph J. Norton, Xuan-Thao Nguyen, Ellen Smith Pryor,  
Marc I. Steinberg, and Jenia Turner







**Saudi Arabia**  
January 2012



**Indonesia**  
May 2008 & October 2009



**China**  
November 2007



**Pakistan**  
September 2006



**Afghanistan**  
July 2006



**Egypt**  
June 2006



**Kyrgyzstan**  
February 2006



**Brunei**  
May 2005



**Bahrain**  
September 2004



**Oman**  
May 2004 & May 2005

## 12 RULE OF LAW FORUMS

*Eight years of promoting the rule of law around the world*

**SMU Dedman School of Law Rule of Law Forums bring leaders from countries with evolving legal systems and familiarize them with the central ideas of the rule of law.**

Since 2004, SMU Dedman School of Law has been privileged to host 12 Rule of Law Forums for countries with evolving legal systems. These conferences were established to enhance understanding with governments interested in promoting the rule of law.

Proposed by U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison, the Forum has become the prototype for other exchange programs. The Law School received a series of grants totaling over \$3 million from the U.S. Congress under Senator Hutchison's leadership to host the Rule of Law Forums.

In partnership with the U.S. State Department, the Rule of Law Forum brings leaders from a country with an emerging legal system and familiarizes them with the central ideas of the rule of law as it has developed in the United States. These meetings are conducted behind closed doors in order to allow participants to speak freely.





## Christopher Jenks

*Assistant Professor of Law  
and Director of Criminal  
Justice Clinic*

Stand and salute: There's an officer in the room. The classroom, that is.

Starting this fall, Lieutenant Colonel Christopher Jenks who, until recently, was the U.S. Army Chief of the International Law Branch of the Office of the Judge Advocate General in the Pentagon, will join the SMU Dedman faculty and lead the Criminal Justice Clinic.

"Students will have access to Professor Jenks's extraordinary scholarship in the classroom environment and will also learn from his extensive experience in the SMU Criminal Justice Clinic setting," said Dean John Attanasio. "He will make a wonderful addition to our faculty and the law school community."

A 1992 graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point, Jenks spent two decades serving his country, first as an Infantry officer in Germany and Kuwait, where he trained with the Kuwaiti Army as part of the Defense Cooperation Agreement between the United States and Kuwait. He was later deployed to Bosnia following the Dayton Peace Accords as part of the NATO

## CHRISTOPHER JENKS JOINS FACULTY; WILL LEAD CRIMINAL CLINIC

Implementation Force.

In addition to leading the Criminal Justice Clinic, Professor Jenks is teaching Evidence in the fall term, and in the spring semester, he is planning to teach International Humanitarian Law: The Law of Armed Conflict.

"I like the hybrid position that allows me to keep a few toes in the practice with the clinic, but also provides me the opportunity to focus on teaching and scholarship and be on the tenure track," he says. "I think the structure of this position will be the wave of the future."

"I like it that SMU is placing more emphasis on how we, as a law school, are preparing our students for their future practices and giving them actual experience," says Jenks, who received his Doctorate of Jurisprudence from University of Arizona College of Law in 2001.

After earning his J.D., Jenks was immediately assigned as the primary international law advisor to the U.S. Army Infantry Division of over 15,000 soldiers serving near the demilitarized zone between North and South Korea. He defended Status of Forces Agreement rights of American soldiers during South Korean interrogations and trials in high profile and politically sensitive criminal cases.

In 2003, the Army named Jenks a senior criminal prosecutor in Washington, D.C., for six commands, which comprised more than 10,000 soldiers. While he prosecuted more than 25 courts-martial for violations that included rape, armed robbery, and child sexual abuse, Jenks also was the lead prosecutor in the

Army's first counterterrorism case. He coordinated the investigative efforts of 30 law enforcement agents from four separate federal agencies on three continents.

The Army again deployed Jenks in 2004 – this time to Mosul, Iraq with the 1st Brigade Combat Team (Stryker) and 25th Infantry Division (Light). He was the chief legal advisor to the commanders and staff of more than 4,000 soldiers in the Brigade Combat Team. While there, Jenks developed, wrote, and briefed rules of engagement that were crucial to the success of the first free elections in Iraq in more than three decades.

For the past six years, Jenks has been back in D.C., holding numerous positions, including his most recent post of International Law Branch Chief in which he provided legal advice to the Judge Advocate General, Army Staff, and Judge Advocates across the globe.

Jenks received his LL.M. from Georgetown Law Center, and he is currently a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Melbourne in Australia, focusing on the U.S. approach to war crimes investigations and prosecutions. He has published articles on detention under international humanitarian law, human rights law, and government contractors, among others. He also has spoken on those same topics at universities and institutes in Australia, Italy, South Africa, and the U.S., and with the militaries of the Republic of Yemen and several different European and African countries.

The lieutenant colonel has received the Valorous Unit Award, the Bronze Star Medal, and both the Expert Infantryman and Parachutist badges. ■



# JENIA TURNER PROMOTED TO PROFESSOR, CONTINUES TO FOCUS ON CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

Jenia Turner knew as a student at Goucher College that she wanted to be a professor.

“I fell in love with academia when I came to college in the United States from Bulgaria,” she says. “I feel very fortunate to teach at SMU and to pursue my passion for research, writing, and teaching law. I love every part of the job.”

A prolific writer and popular classroom teacher, Turner’s decade of hard work was rewarded this year when she was promoted to full professor at SMU Dedman School of Law.

“Professor Turner is a nationally and internationally renowned scholar who has achieved much in a short period of time,” said Dean John B. Attanasio.

Professor Turner, who majored in international relations, worked as a research assistant in political science and an English tutor during her undergraduate days.

“The environment of a small liberal arts school with an emphasis on teaching fit my interests and personality very well,” she says. Professor Turner wrote her senior thesis on the role of international law in the trial against Todor Zhivkov, the former leader of Bulgaria, which was a hint at her career to come.

Even so, she applied to and was accepted by law schools and several Ph.D. programs with the intent to pursue an academic career. Turner served as a teaching assistant for three professors during her years at Yale Law School, where she received her juris doctor in 2002. She served as the Articles Editor for both the *Yale Law Journal* and the *Yale Journal of International Law*.



**Jenia Turner**

*Professor of Law*

Professor Turner has been published in some of the nation’s leading legal journals, including the *Michigan Law Review*, *American Journal of Comparative Law*, *Stanford Journal of International Law*, and the *Virginia Law Review*. She has lectured or delivered faculty workshops around the globe, including at Yale Law School, Berkeley Center for Criminal Justice, Washington University, Humboldt University in Berlin, and conferences of the American Society of International Law and the International Academy of Comparative Law. She has also authored a textbook on comparative criminal procedure entitled *Plea Bargaining Across Borders*.

“My teaching, research, and writing over the years have focused on criminal procedure, comparative criminal procedure, and international criminal law,” she says.

Professor Turner is currently working on an article entitled “Policing International Prosecutors,” which will be published in the *NYU Journal of International Law and Politics* in December. The article analyzes the remedies and sanctions for prosecutorial misconduct at the International Criminal Court.

“The ICC initially used what may be described as an absolutist approach to remedies and sanctions,” she says. “If it deemed a violation sufficiently serious, it stayed the proceedings or excluded evidence, without considering any countervailing interests.”

“More recently, however, the court has begun applying a more nuanced balancing approach, taking into account not only the defendant’s right to a remedy, but also competing social interests in establishing an accurate historical record and punishing international crimes,” she says. “I defend the balancing approach taken by the court, but also recognize some of its potential pitfalls and offer recommendations on how to make it more predictable, fair, and effective.”

In addition, Turner has started working on a paper concerning the right to effective counsel during the plea bargaining stage of a criminal case.

“A recent Supreme Court case, *Laffler v. Cooper*, held that a defendant is entitled to relief when a lawyer provides inadequate assistance during plea bargaining, but largely left it to trial courts to determine the appropriate remedy on a case-by-case basis,” she says. “I will be arguing that the Court could have provided better guidance to lower courts and offering some suggestions on what such guidance might have been.” ■



## ANTHONY COLANGELO NAMED ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, FOCUSES ON CIVIL PROCEDURE, U.S. FOREIGN RELATIONS LAW, AND CONFLICT OF LAWS

Even before he joined New York law firm Cleary Gottlieb as a first year litigation associate, Anthony Colangelo heard the whispers of academia calling from within.

“I had decided to try going into academia while clerking on the Second Circuit and writing articles at night and on the weekends,” says Colangelo. “I started as a full-time litigation associate with this plan already in mind.

“While I enjoyed practicing, dedicating my life to teaching and scholarship seemed to be a better fit for me, and I have no regrets,” he says.

SMU Dedman School of Law is proud to announce that Colangelo, who teaches in the fields of Civil Procedure, Conflict of Laws, and Private and Public International Law, has been promoted to Associate Professor.

“Anthony is an outstanding scholar whose work is influencing the development of the law,” said Dean John B. Attanasio.

“It is the culmination of hard work and dedication to the enterprise of the law in terms of training lawyers-to-be and contributing to the development of the law through legal scholarship,” he says.

“There are many things I treasure about being a law professor,” Colangelo says. “Teaching students how to think about the law in a creative and sophisticated manner is incredibly rewarding, as is working on my own scholarship, which seeks to build innovative solutions to pressing legal



**Anthony J. Colangelo**

*Associate Professor of Law*

problems by bridging theory and doctrine from different areas of the law in novel and useful ways.

“The job is a dream come true for me.”

Despite being so young, Professor Colangelo’s accomplishments are many. His scholarship has been selected multiple times for presentation at the prestigious Stanford/Yale Junior Faculty Forum. And numerous federal courts around the country, as well as a U.S. Military Commission, have relied directly upon his articles and ideas to resolve complex jurisdictional issues in an array of cases dealing with, among other things, financing terrorism abroad, human rights abuses abroad, military commission jurisdiction, and piracy off the coast of Somalia.

In addition, his work has been used by policy bodies like the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace to frame and analyze both the legal backdrop and possible solutions to pressing global problems like nuclear arms smuggling.

Colangelo is currently working on two separate but related projects involving jurisdiction in the international system.

“I recently filed an amicus brief in the U.S. Supreme Court addressing whether and when U.S. courts may entertain causes of action arising abroad under the law of nations,” he says. “And I have a major article forthcoming that seeks to build an individual right in U.S. and international law to fair notice of the law in multi-state systems. This latter project is part of a larger endeavor that seeks to adapt to the international system basic rule-of-law criteria common across domestic legal systems.”

Colangelo clerked for the Honorable Ralph K. Winter, United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. He received his B.A., *summa cum laude*, from Middlebury College and his J.D., *magna cum laude*, from Northwestern University, where he was Notes Editor of the *Northwestern University Law Review*. He holds an LL.M. and J.S.D. from Columbia Law School. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and the Order of the Coif. ■



## NATHAN CORTEZ PROMOTED TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, BECOMING A LEADING VOICE IN HEALTH LAW

Since joining the SMU Dedman School of Law faculty in 2007, Nathan Cortez has developed into one of the most prominent legal healthcare academics in the country. He has appeared frequently in the national news media, including *CNN*, the *Chicago Tribune*, the *Los Angeles Times*, and the *Associated Press*, discussing the constitutionality and legal impact of the Affordable Care Act.

In addition, he has written numerous articles and book chapters focusing on cutting edge issues in the health care area including medical tourism, health reform, cross-border health care, and the FDA's regulation of press releases.

Recognizing his skills and talents as a researcher, writer, thinker, and teacher, the Dedman Law School is proud to announce that Cortez has been promoted to Associate Professor.

"Nathan is emerging as a national figure in the important field of health law," said Dean John B. Attanasio.

"Professionally, it's an honor to have my work recognized by colleagues whom I admire," Cortez says. "Personally, it's gratifying to know that the long hours of work can accumulate into a body of teaching and scholarship that I'm proud of."

Before joining the SMU faculty, Cortez practiced with the Washington, D.C. law firm Arnold & Porter as part of its pharmaceutical, health care, and biotech practice. He represented clients in health care regulatory matters, with a special emphasis on health care



**Nathan Cortez**

*Associate Professor of Law*

fraud and abuse, FDA enforcement, privacy, and the Medicare and Medicaid programs.

While at Arnold & Porter, Professor Cortez litigated pro bono cases with the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF) and was a Board Member of the D.C. Hispanic Bar Foundation. In 2006, he was a Visiting Assistant Professor at Rutgers-Camden Law School.

"I did enjoy regulatory practice in Washington, D.C. So much so, that students in my courses sometimes ask why I left," he says. "The lure of academia is that I'm given the time, resources, and intellectual freedom to pursue some pretty big problems in health policy and regulation. And I love

introducing students to regulatory practice as an alternative to litigation or transactional work."

A 2002 graduate of Stanford Law School, Cortez says he enjoys being in a position to quickly respond to issues and controversies through media interviews and by writing Op-Eds as they arise.

"I have the freedom to quickly educate and immerse myself in the latest controversies and provide an objective take on them," he says. "That's an underappreciated public benefit."

Cortez is currently writing about the FDA's regulation of mobile health applications on smart phones and tablets. Some people think that medical apps may transform health care by saving lives and money, and democratizing or demystifying medicine, he says.

"The technologies are fascinating. I downloaded an app that turns my iPhone into a stethoscope," he says. "There's a \$10 million prize for developing an all-in-one diagnostic device, like the Tricorder in *Star Trek*. Our imaginations can run wild with the possibilities. I use mobile health as a jumping off point for discussing how we should regulate disruptive technologies, engaging a live debate among regulatory scholars." ■



# **\$57 Million+** RAISED TO DATE IN LAW CAMPAIGN WITH HISTORIC **\$12.1 Million** GIFT FROM **TOG ROGERS '61**

## SECOND LARGEST GIFT IN LAW SCHOOL HISTORY



**T**og Rogers is giving back. His \$12.1 million gift for scholarships is the second largest gift in the history of the law school.

Wiley Yandell "Tog" Rogers, Jr. was enjoying barbeque at the Pig Stand in Austin in 1958 just four days before he was scheduled to start law school. He had an undergraduate degree in engineering, but he wanted to add a law degree to his resume.

His plan was to work his way through law school with the money he made working as an engineer.

"I overheard this guy tell the manager of the Pig Stand that he was an electrical engineer graduate but that he needed a job washing dishes," Rogers remembers. "I thought, if that man couldn't find a job, I probably didn't have a chance."

That day, he drove to Dallas, where he thought his odds at getting a job were better.

"I applied on Friday, and classes started Monday," says Rogers, who was in the class of 1961. "At the end of my first year, I was offered a scholarship, which was arranged by Professor Roy Ray, who taught Evidence, and it meant that I could stay in school. The scholarship impacted the rest of my life."

Five decades later, Rogers's generous gift will impact generations of students to come. The long-time lawyer and Texas businessman has announced that he



has given a remainder interest from his charitable remainder trust to SMU Dedman School of Law. The gift is valued at more than \$12.1 million.

The law school will receive a lump-sum cash payment in 2020. The entire gift will go to the law school's scholarship endowment fund.

"I'm paying back a debt," says Rogers. "I came to SMU Law School unannounced, and without the scholarship, I wouldn't have made it. This gift is to help other people in need do what I was able to do."

Tog Rogers was born in Tyler. His father was an independent oilman, and their family moved several times when Tog was a boy. He attended the fourth grade in a one-room schoolhouse in Western Kentucky. But along the way, he became enamored with the law. He says he has so many memories about his time at SMU.

"In 1961, a group of us were meeting at the Lawyers Inn and we met Bobby Kennedy," he says. "We asked him if he would ever lie to a judge. He said, 'Of course I would, if it would help my mother.' We thought that was great."

Rogers clerked for Texas Supreme Court Justices Clyde Smith and Joe Greenhill. Rogers then spent several years as a lawyer at the law firm that is now known as Gardere.

"I was the 13th lawyer at the firm," he says. "I always thought I was pretty damn smart, but the lawyers I worked with there were very smart."

Rogers was in the firm's litigation practice, and he represented a handful of major celebrities. For example, he represented Mickey Mantle in a bankruptcy-related case in which a New Jersey bowling alley went belly up. Mantle was a part owner. For some reason, the bowling alley's lawyers put Mantle's naming rights in the deal, which the bankruptcy trustee saw as having great value.

"Mickey got me great seats to the game and I got to visit the dugout," Rogers recalls. "Those were great experiences."

## HEARTFELT THANKS FOR GENEROSITY OF ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

Thanks to the great generosity of its supporters, SMU Dedman School of Law has raised more than \$57 million in gifts during its fundraising campaign. These gifts allow the law school to further realize the school's primary aim: increasing investment in scholarships and faculty.

Tog Rogers's \$12.1 million gift is second in size only to the Dedman Family's \$20 million naming gift. When added to the \$1 million gift from Amy and Les Ware and another \$1 million gift from an anonymous donor, plus many other smaller but important gifts, the law school had an outstanding year in giving.

**"These gifts allow the law school to further realize the school's primary aim: increasing investment in scholarships and faculty."**

"Through their remarkable support, our alumni and friends have created opportunities that make a significant, long-term impact on the school," says Associate Dean for Development and Alumni Affairs Lynn Switzer Bozalis '90. "Their enthusiasm and vision are inspiring."

Dean John B. Attanasio added, "Continued investment in scholarships and faculty is essential to SMU Dedman Law remaining competitive and advancing the momentum of recent years. We attract some of the most sought-after students and top-quality faculty from across the country and around the world. It's possible only because of the exceptional generosity of our donors. We are extremely grateful to them."

In 1967, Rogers moved to Houston to become general counsel at Ridgway Blueprinting, a small, publicly traded company.

"Ridgway didn't trust me or anyone, and working for him was nearly impossible," he says. "The company was horribly managed. I told him during a meeting in New York one evening that I was quitting. The next morning, he made me president of the company."

A few years later, Rogers took Ridgway private and purchased the entire company. He sold it to ARC in 2000.

His education and training in law,

Rogers says, helped him every step of the way as a business leader.

"Law school helps make you comfortable doing business and not having to worry that you are doing or saying the wrong thing," he says. "I can honestly say that my years at SMU Law School helped prepare me for all the issues I would later face in business."

Rogers is equally proud that he and his wife, Suzie, have five children, three of whom are SMU alumni. ■





## AMY '90 AND LES WARE '92 LEAD A NEW GENERATION OF MILLION DOLLAR DONORS

### THEIR \$1 MILLION GIFT ESTABLISHES THE AMY ABBOD WARE PROFESSORSHIP

Amy and Les Ware have watched Dallas and SMU Dedman Law change and improve for years—Les was born and raised in Dallas, and his wife, Amy Abboud Ware, came here at 18 to attend

SMU as an undergrad—and they are determined to help take the city and the law school even further.

The couple sees their \$1 million gift to endow a professorship as a gift to the law school, of course, but also as a gift to Dallas.

“SMU needs to be the center of Dallas,” says Amy. “Great cities need great universities, and great universities need

great professors. Great professors don’t just make the school a better place. They make the city a better place. Professors are a resource to our larger community, too.”

Both Amy and Les were undergrads at SMU before earning their law degrees from Dedman Law, and their bond with SMU is deep.

“SMU has given us so much—our education, our livelihood, our friends,” says Amy. “SMU specializes in relationships.”

The couple’s relationship with each other is reflected in the name of the endowed professorship that their gift will create. It was clear to Les that the faculty position should bear the name The Amy Abboud Ware Professorship.

“Amy left a successful practice to raise our children,” says Les. “I wanted to honor her legal accomplishments.

“Amy had a thriving criminal defense practice and was one of the few women to serve as president of the Dallas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association. The professorship is an acknowledgement of her impressive professional achievements.”

The Wares’ gift sets an example for a new generation of major donors. The couple didn’t let their youth—both are under 50—deter their generosity. Instead, they hope their gift will inspire others to give. Amy says this gift is not the couple’s “lifetime gift,” but it is certainly a great start.

### ANONYMOUS DONOR CONTINUES GREAT SUPPORT—GIVES ADDITIONAL \$1 MILLION PLANNED GIFT

*New gift of rare books is conservatively valued at \$1 million. Previous \$2 million gift established a distinguished faculty chair.*

A very generous donor, who wishes to remain anonymous, gave a new planned gift of \$1 million. Previously, the donor anonymously endowed a distinguished faculty chair at SMU Dedman School of Law through an initial \$2 million gift.

“Although we cannot thank this individual by name at this time, I want to say how much we appreciate this gift,” says Dean John Attanasio. “These rare books will be housed in the Underwood Law Library and will be available for students and researchers alike. Gifts like this significantly enhance the community experience for a broad group, from law students to area attorneys to historians. We are very grateful for this extraordinary collection.”





# 17 DONORS MAKE MILLION DOLLAR+ CAMPAIGN GIFTS

\$12.1 Million	W. YANDELL “TOG” ROGERS, JR. ’61	Scholarship
\$8 Million	PROFESSOR JOSEPH & MIMI McKNIGHT	Rare Books
\$4 Million	THE NOEL FAMILY	Deanship
\$2.5 Million	THE W.W. CARUTH, JR. FOUNDATION COMMUNITIES FOUNDATION OF TEXAS	Clinic
\$2 Million	ANONYMOUS	Distinguished Chair
\$2 Million	ANONYMOUS	Scholarship
\$1.8 Million	ANONYMOUS	Chair and Scholarship
\$1.15 Million	MARSHALL CLOYD	Scholarship
\$1 Million	MARILYN AUGUR	Professorship
\$1 Million	ERLE NYE ’65	Scholarship
\$1 Million	DR. HELMUT SOHMEN ’66	Scholarship
\$1 Million	DR. HELMUT SOHMEN ’66	Scholarship
\$1 Million	AMY ’90 AND LES WARE ’92	Professorship
\$1 Million	ANONYMOUS	Scholarship
\$1 Million	ANONYMOUS	Scholarship
\$1 Million	ANONYMOUS	Rare Books
\$1 Million	LOUISE RAGGIO ’52, FAMILY & FRIENDS (new to law school)	Lecture Series

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## JAMES “CLEO” THOMPSON ESTATE BESTOWS \$250,000 TO SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT



The Estate of James (Jimmie) Cleo Thompson, Jr. gave an additional \$250,000 to The James Cleo

Thompson, Sr. Endowed Scholarship Fund. Jimmie Thompson created the endowment to honor his father, Cleo Thompson, and his estate recently added \$250,000 to the fund. The endowment provides critical scholarship support for students of the Dedman School of Law.

Jimmie Thompson was one of the most respected and successful independent oil and gas producers in the country. People knew him as an old wildcatter who still believed a handshake sealed a deal. Thompson was also a dedicated family man. He was married to the love of his life, Dorothy, for 58 years. Dorothy has remained engaged in SMU Dedman Law since Jimmie’s passing in 2010.

Jimmie Thompson and his family have a rich history of supporting the school. In 2000, Thompson was named an SMU Distinguished Alumni, and in 2002, he received the SMU Dedman School of Law Honorary Alumnus Award. Thompson contributed time, expertise, insight, and financial support to the law school so that others could be given the kind of opportunities he had been given.

In memory of his father, in 1984 Thompson established the J. Cleo Thompson Law School Chair, and in 1990 he endowed the Thompson Law Scholarships Program, which has awarded over 100 scholarships since its inception. Thompson also served on the Board of Trustees for SMU and on the Executive Board of SMU Dedman School of Law. For decades, Thompson served as Chairman of Trustees of the Hatton W. Sumners Foundation. The Hatton W. Sumners Scholarship covers the full cost of tuition and fees and a stipend for living expenses and textbooks. Each year, the Sumners Foundation selects between four and six outstanding students to receive these prestigious scholarships at SMU Dedman School of Law. Thompson’s daughter Christy now serves on the Board of Trustees of the Sumners Foundation.

## ANONYMOUS \$250,000 GIFT CREATES ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

An alum who wishes to remain anonymous gave \$250,000 to permanently endow a new scholarship at SMU Dedman Law. “The law school is very grateful for this generous gift, and we look forward to awarding the scholarships to deserving SMU Dedman Law students,” says Dean John Attanasio. “Student scholarships are essential investments that create real opportunities and make a long-term impact.”



## RIEHM FAMILY FOUNDATION GIVES \$100,000 TO CREATE THE DEAN JOHN W. RIEHM ENDOWED MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



The wife and children of John “Jack” Riehm gave \$100,000 to create the Dean John W. Riehm Endowed Memorial

Scholarship. The endowed scholarship is in memory of John “Jack” Riehm, a former professor and dean of SMU Dedman School of Law.

Riehm, who joined the faculty in 1948 and was appointed Dean in 1959, was a great leader of the law school. He initiated programs creating the Doctor of Science of Law degree, Comparative Law for Latin American lawyers, and the Southwest Graduate School of Banking at SMU. He was responsible for moving the *Journal of Air Law and Commerce* to SMU Dedman Law.

Dean Riehm was also devoted to his family. He is survived by his wife of 70 years, Doris Riehm; his three daughters, Susan Riehm Braden, Sandra Riehm Shepard, and Elizabeth Ganin; and his son, John Riehm, III; along with five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Dean Riehm’s legacy to the law school will continue and grow through the gift of this endowed scholarship.



# MAJOR DONORS INCREASE DRAMATICALLY

23 gifts of \$500,000–\$1 Million+

23

GIFTS OF \$500,000  
TO \$1 MILLION OR  
MORE



- Gifts of \$1 million or more
- Gifts of \$500,000 - \$999,999

## \$500,000+ CAMPAIGN DONORS

\$769,095	WILLIAM E. SMITH '57	Scholarship
\$675,000	WAYNE WATTS '80	Scholarship
\$666,667	TEXAS ATTORNEY GENERAL	Consumer Law Clinic
\$619,986	DALLAS BAR FOUNDATION	Scholarship
\$500,000	GEORGE BRAMBLETT '66	Scholarship
\$500,000	JIM DOLAN '77 (business partner of the late Mike Barrett)	Scholarship

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## ENDOWMENT GIVING

### Scholarships

- \$900,000+ creates named full scholarship
- \$100,000+ creates named partial scholarship

### Faculty Positions

- \$2 million+ creates named Distinguished Chairs
- \$1.5 million creates named Chairs
- \$1 million+ creates named professorships

### Centers/Institutes

- \$5 million+ creates named Institute
- \$2.5 million+ creates named Center



## DEDMAN MATCH

### Continues to Double Impact of Gifts

SMU Dedman School of Law remains extremely appreciative of the continued support of the Dedman family,

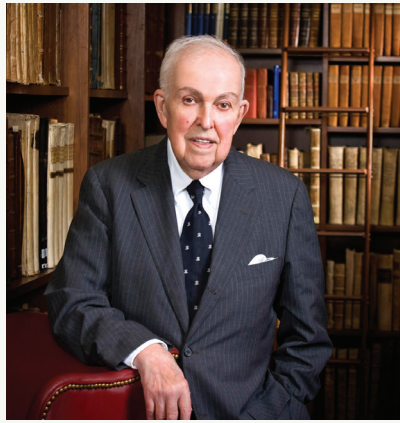
which has demonstrated its commitment to the law school through its extensive history of making gifts, as well as matching the gifts of others.

Under the terms of the Dedman Match, 70% of its match will be used for scholarships, while the remaining 30% will be set aside to fund faculty positions. In order to receive the match, University policies require that the gifts be at "endowment levels": a minimum of \$100,000 for scholarships and \$1 million for faculty positions. These endowment gifts ensure the long-term success of SMU Dedman School of Law and can serve as a lasting tribute as the income they generate over time is used to serve the donor's purposes.



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*Gifts supporting Clinics and the Library  
move SMU Dedman School of Law forward*

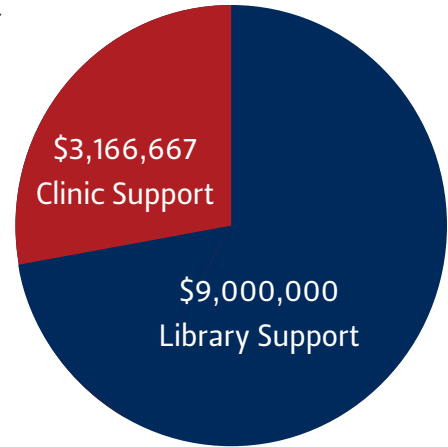


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*Through gifts of cash, multi-year pledges, planned gifts, and combinations thereof*



### *Key priority #1*

#### *Student scholarships*

Essential scholarship  
endowments to draw  
the best students.



### *Key priority #2*


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Critical faculty support  
to attract and retain  
top-tier faculty from  
around the world.



# YOUR CAMPAIGN INVESTMENTS IN SCHOLARSHIPS & FACULTY

## 5 NEW ENDOWED FACULTY POSITIONS (\$1,000,000+)



\$4 Million	JUDGE JAMES NOEL DEANSHIP (NOEL FAMILY)
\$2 Million	DISTINGUISHED FACULTY CHAIR (ANONYMOUS)
\$1.8 Million	FACULTY CHAIR (ANONYMOUS)
\$1 Million	CHIEF JUDGE RICHARD S. ARNOLD RULE OF LAW PROFESSORSHIP (MARILYN AUGUR)
\$1 Million	AMY ABBODD WARE PROFESSORSHIP (AMY AND LES WARE)

## 36 SCHOLARSHIPS (\$100,000+)

### 24 NEW SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENTS

Tog Rogers	Wayne Watts	Anonymous	R.W. Calloway
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Erle Nye	Martin Samuelsohn	George Potts	Peter McGuire
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### 7 GIFTS TO EXISTING SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENTS

Helmut Sohmen	Estate of James Cleo Thompson	Mrs. Logan Ford
Marshall Cloyd	Rick Scott	
Jackie Barrett	Anthony Atwell	

### 5 GIFTS TO ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIPS (cumulative \$100,000+)

Dallas Bar Foundation	Lionel Gilly	The General Counsel Forum
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# GETTING DOWN TO BUSINESS

*Ten alumni GCs talk about the evolving role of the general counsel*



**Wayne Watts '80**  
Senior Executive Vice President  
and General Counsel, AT&T



**Jim Baldwin '86**  
Executive Vice President and General  
Counsel, Dr Pepper Snapple Group



**Melanie Wright '83**  
Senior Vice President and  
General Counsel, Fujitsu Network  
Communications



**Christopher Willis '97**  
Vice President – Human Resources  
and Counsel, Interstate Batteries



**Dena DeNooyer Stroh '99**  
General Counsel and Corporate  
Secretary, Murchison Oil & Gas, Inc.

**W**ayne Watts '80 vividly remembers the day in 2006 when AT&T named him its new General Counsel. Amid all the excitement and celebration, Watts' predecessor made a comment that Watts will never forget.

"He said, 'Wayne, you're not going to have as much fun in this job as I did,'" says Watts. "He was right. Corporate governance now accounts for a disproportional amount of my time.

"This is still a great job, but the position of general counsel has changed dramatically during the past decade," he says. "Some of the changes are good and necessary. And I still get to have some fun."

Watts, who oversees more than 450 in-house lawyers, is not alone in his observation. Leading general counsels representing businesses – large and small, publicly traded and privately owned – agree that the position of general counsel has evolved significantly during the past several years.

Today's general counsels have greatly expanded responsibilities and influence. They are integral decision-makers within a corporation, helping determine a company's strategic growth plans, analyzing risk factors, and even framing the business's public image.

Some GCs even use their influence for social or public policy purposes, from demanding that their outside counsel and other vendors have diversified workforces to pushing the outside counsel who work for them to do more pro bono work.

Even as responsibilities and job functions increase, leaders of corporate legal departments say they are under major pressure to contain costs, including the amount they spend on outside counsel.

"We are all expected to do much more with fewer resources," says **Jim Baldwin '86**, the General Counsel and Executive Vice President of Dr Pepper Snapple Group in Irving.

Just a dozen years ago, the GC had a nice corner office with a legal team likely located on a floor separate from the corporate finance and business-side folks. GCs were secluded or at least detached from the day-to-day operations, until executives or board members faced a legal dilemma or crisis and needed the GC's help.

Dallas-based Fujitsu Network Communications General Counsel **Melanie Wright '83** says the past corporate legal departments where she's worked were "pretty much isolated" from those on the operational and finance sides.

"The documents came in and the documents went out," says Wright, who previously was an assistant general counsel

"No doubt about it, Sarbanes-Oxley and Dodd-Frank have had a far-reaching and significant impact on the role of the general counsel in corporate America," says Baldwin, who became General Counsel at Dr Pepper in 2002.

"Today, GCs are involved in nearly every aspect of a business's operation," he says.

The same is true with smaller corporate in-house legal departments.

"I've basically changed positions – from lawyer to a businesswoman," says **Dena DeNooyer Stroh '99**, who took over as General Counsel at Murchison Oil & Gas this year.

"My job is to identify problems early so

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at Greyhound and Southland Corporation. "Definitely not like that anymore."

All 10 general counsels interviewed for this article say that those days are long gone, which is probably for the best.

"The job has gone from being just a legal adviser to being in much more of a business role," says **Christopher Willis '97**, the General Counsel and Vice President of Human Resources at Dallas-based Interstate Batteries. "CEOs and business leaders have seen the value of a general counsel's contribution and there's now an expectation that the corporate legal team have an in-depth business knowledge that wasn't there only a few years ago."

Willis, Watts, and others say a major contributing factor is the passage of federal corporate compliance laws starting with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act in 2002 and followed by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, which was enacted in 2010.

that I can nip them in the bud or fix it before it becomes a bigger problem," says Stroh, a former trial lawyer at Gruber Hurst Johansen Hail Shank LLP who now operates a one-person corporate legal department. "That requires me to know my company and what we're involved in."

Wright, the General Counsel at Fujitsu Network Communications, says she started working "side-by-side with the sales guys negotiating contracts" soon after she was hired as the subsidiary's one-person legal department in 1992.

"I believe in having more contact with business colleagues on the front end, which is much more fun," she says. "It's much less fun when you go into a situation on the back end when there's already a crisis."

**Darwin Bruce '95**, who became General Counsel of The Potter's House, a non-profit entity, in 2004 and added the title of chief operating officer in 2007, says the GC has become more of a strategist.



**Darwin Bruce '95**  
General Counsel and Chief Operating Officer, The Potter's House



**Robert Hart '86**  
General Counsel, Mark Cuban Companies



**Susan Aldridge '95**  
Senior Vice President of Legal and General Counsel, Rosewood Hotels



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“The general counsel now does a lot more managerial work that has nothing to do with the law,” says Bruce. “Many GCs have redefined their role. As the marketplace becomes more competitive, executives and directors realize they can get more than just legal advice from their general counsel.”

A good example of this trend is **Robert Hart ’86**. For more than a dozen years, Hart was entrepreneur Mark Cuban’s personal lawyer. Then, when Cuban sold Broadcast.com to Yahoo, Hart became General Counsel of Cuban Companies, which includes the Dallas Mavericks.

“We’re a family holding company, but we have grown a lot and have a lot of different business interests,” he says. “We have more than 70 companies that make up seven or eight different businesses. At this point, I act as much as a chief operating officer as I do a general counsel.

“The legal side of things has much more impact on the business decisions,” says Hart.

There is no bigger issue facing most general counsels than the globalization of their businesses, according to Rosewood Hotels Senior Vice President and General Counsel **Susan Aldridge ’95**.

“As the business becomes more global, we need to be aware of other countries changing or reforming their laws,” says Aldridge, who was in the corporate legal department at ExxonMobil before joining Rosewood Hotels in 2000.

Wright points out that Japan enacted its own version of Sarbanes-Oxley, which she says is commonly referred to as J-SOX.

Aldridge and others say that the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission’s enforcement of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act is getting a lot of attention right now.

The SEC’s Fort Worth Regional Office has attracted a considerable amount of recent attention in the FCPA area because one of its lawyers, assistant director and SMU Dedman alum Michael King ’01, is leading the inquiry into allegations that Wal-Mart bribed officials in Mexico in order to get more favorable treatment.

“From FCPA and developing commercial and residential real estate laws around the world to fundamental changes to the attorney-client privilege and issues involving translations, lawyers working with international companies face new and unique challenges,” says Aldridge.

“All of us are facing the problem of having to do more with less,” she says.

The need to contain costs comes at a time when most general counsels say they have seen a significant increase in rates charged by many of the law firms they employ, especially the larger, national firms. Several GCs say they regularly encounter lawyers with billing rates between \$750 and \$1,000 an hour.

“Rates have clearly gone up,” says Hart, who works with about 10 law firms throughout the country on matters ranging from tax and real estate law to estate planning and media litigation. “Lawyers in Texas who are good are now charging New York rates. I consider costs, but my first consideration is whether or not they can do the job.”

Hart says he’s always open to working with new outside counsel. The key to getting in the door, he says, is “knowing your prospective client.”

“Do your due diligence and understand the work we are doing,” says Hart. “If you can show a client that you have insight into some legal matter that is important to us, then I’m going to pay attention.”

Wright says the competitiveness of large law firms, the growth of boutiques, and the development of mid-sized full-service law firms during a struggling economy have “given in-house lawyers a much stronger hand in setting rates with outside counsel.”

Wright notes that she’s worked for 20 years with Steven McCown ’75, a partner in the employment litigation practice at Littler Mendelson in Dallas. She says when he switched law firms, she moved her business with him.

“I like it that when I pick up the phone, he makes himself available and that he’s not always charging me for just the five minute phone calls,” she says. “Steven keeps his rates reasonable. He has his associates do as much of the work as possible. And, most importantly, he’s never lost an arbitration, which is pretty amazing.”

While the GCs disagree over the future of the billable hour, they say that great service and great work are most important.

“We’re farming out the more ministerial work, such as title opinions and due diligence in purchases and sales,” says Hunt Oil Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer **Dennis Grindinger ’82**, who previously was the company’s general counsel.

“I remember when the high water mark was \$500 an hour and now it is approaching \$1,000 an hour,” he says. “But we really don’t look at how much the billable rate is as much as we do the monthly legal tab.

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of it in-house because we decided we want to do the cool work on the most important projects ourselves.”

Chris Willis at Interstate Batteries says outside counsel must become more creative in how they handle billing.

“Flat rate billing arrangements have become much more popular, but I don’t think the billable hour is on its last leg,” says Willis. “Large firms are going to have more difficulty keeping business with their current rate structures.”

All the general counsels believe that they are in a position to exact reforms ranging from rates to customer service.

“We have considered alternative fee arrangements, but we keep coming back to the hourly rate,” says **Paul Ward ’75**, the General Counsel of Southern Methodist University and a graduate of the law school. “The person with the higher hourly rate may be more efficient than the lawyer who appears to charge less.”

Ward says colleges started hiring in-house general counsels to deal with student disciplinary matters related to anti-Vietnam War protests. But now, universities have many of the same regulatory, labor and employment, and business contractual issues as publicly traded companies.

“The university is a great generator of copyrighted material, and it is a great consumer of copyrighted materials,” he says. “So, IP law is obviously a key area for us just like everywhere else.”

One less controversial area where the general counsels agree that they can bring change is by placing an emphasis on law firms doing more public service or pro bono work. Many corporate legal departments established in-house pro bono committees during the past few years.

A growing number of general counsels even take the pro bono efforts of outside law firms into account during the hiring process. In fact, leaders in legal services for the poor say that corporate legal departments went from being a non-factor only five years ago to being a driving force today. And many general counsels are using their positions to pressure the outside lawyers who work for them to do more pro bono.

One of the leaders in this is Wayne Watts at AT&T.

“General counsels are doing a better job of making it clear that we encourage pro bono,” says Watts. “It is important that our lawyers at AT&T do pro bono, and it is important that the law firms who work for us be committed to pro bono.”

Watts has established a committee of 18 AT&T lawyers to search for additional pro bono opportunities for his team. His attorneys regularly staff the small business clinic and the criminal law clinic at SMU Dedman Law School.

Several of AT&T’s pro bono projects are joint efforts with their outside counsel. Many general counsels, including Watts, say that offering to work on a pro bono project with their in-house lawyers is a smart way to get in the door for paid legal work.

“If I attended every dinner and every reception that law firms invited me to, I would weigh 500 pounds and never spend a night at home,” says Watts. “But if a law firm approached me or a member of my team about a specific pro bono project, we will give it serious consideration. And we get to see that lawyer in action.”

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Watts says he and his lawyers understand the law firms’ motivation is “face time with our lawyers in order to develop relationships with a potential client.” But he says that is perfectly legitimate and it is a creative way to nurture such a relationship while also providing legal services to those who need them but cannot afford them.

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and Government Relations, General  
Counsel and Secretary, SMU





**Erle Nye '65**  
Chairman, Board of  
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Care System Foundation



**Judge Barbara Lynn '76**  
United States District  
Judge for the Northern  
District of Texas



**G. Michael Gruber '81**  
Partner at Gruber Hurst  
Johansen Hail Shank LLP



**Dennis Grindinger '82**  
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and Chief Financial Officer  
Hunt Oil Company



**Walt Humann '67**  
President and CEO  
of WJH Corporation

# ALUMNI SWEEP ETHICS AWARDS

**“Ethics is knowing the difference between what you have a right to do and what is right to do.”**

**– Associate Supreme Court Justice Potter Stewart**

**D**uring the past year, five SMU Dedman Law School alumni were publicly recognized and applauded for their commitment to legal ethics and professionalism.

The five – Dennis Grindinger, Michael Gruber, Walter Humann, Barbara Lynn, and Erle Nye – were recipients of prestigious awards honoring those who have led the legal profession by example.

“It is amazing that SMU Dedman alumni were chosen for all of these awards in the same year,” says Dean John Attanasio. “These individuals make the law school faculty and their fellow alumni very proud. Each one is very deserving. They are leaders of their communities and the legal profession.”

## ERLE NYE '65

Former TXU Energy chairman and chief executive officer Erle Nye, who is a 1965 graduate of SMU Dedman Law School, received the 83rd annual Linz Award, which is one of the oldest and most prestigious honors given to Dallas individuals or couples. The Linz Award Luncheon is a community service project of the Junior League of Dallas.

The Linz Award, which is sponsored by *The Dallas Morning News* and Zale Corp., recognizes a person's civic or humanitarian efforts that have greatly benefited the community. Past recipients include Stanley Marcus, Ray L. Hunt, Paul M. Bass, Jr., and former Dean Foods executive Pete Schenkel.

“To say that it is flattering is an understatement,” says Nye, who is chairman of the Baylor Health Care System Foundation board. “To be put in a category with the extraordinary

individuals who have received the Linz Award is a great honor.”

Nye, who received a degree in electrical engineering from Texas A&M, is also the past vice chairman of the Governor’s Business Council, the immediate past president of the Dallas Education Foundation, and past co-chair of the Dallas Together Foundation. In 2002, he received the Robert H. Dedman Award for Ethics and Law from The General Counsel Forum. That same year, he was honored with the Robert G. Storey Distinguished Alumni Award from SMU Dedman Law.

“I’ve always been proud to be a lawyer,” says Nye. “The law is an honorable profession that serves the community at large.”

Nye started working at TXU as a field engineer in 1960. Six years later, with a law degree in hand, he was named the utility’s assistant general counsel. He quickly moved up the corporate ladder – general counsel of a subsidiary, chief financial officer, president, CEO, and then chairman of the board.

“I’m like the turtle on top of the fence post,” he says. “I didn’t get there by myself.”

Nye was a leader in energy deregulation.

“Coming out of A&M, I realized I needed a broader education,” he says. “Law school taught me to look at both sides of an issue. Engineers think there’s only one answer. Law school taught me otherwise.”

Nye received his award on March 27th at a luncheon at the Hilton Anatole Hotel.

## JUDGE BARBARA LYNN ’76

Less than 24 hours later, at the Belo Mansion, another SMU Dedman Law graduate was recognized for her commitment to legal ethics when the Honorable Barbara M.G. Lynn of the U.S.

District Court for the Northern District of Texas received the Dallas Bar Foundation Fellows Award.

The Fellows Award honors lawyers who adhere to the “highest principles and traditions of the legal profession.” The recipients of the Fellows Award provide “service to the community while adhering to the highest ethical standards.”

“This is a fantastic honor,” Judge Lynn told the packed ballroom. “It always feels good when others recognize your achievements. If what I’ve accomplished can inspire others, it was all worth it.”

Judge Lynn graduated *summa cum laude* from the University of Virginia in 1973. Three years later, she graduated first in her class from SMU Dedman School of Law.

During law school, she clerked at Carrington, Coleman, Sloman & Blumenthal. She had met Jim Coleman and wrote him a letter saying she wanted to come work for his law firm. At the time, Carrington Coleman didn’t hire new lawyers straight out of law school.

They made an exception for Barbara Lynn, who became the law firm’s first woman associate. In 1983, she became Carrington Coleman’s first female partner.

“We hired Barbara when the downtown law firms did not hire female lawyers,” Coleman said when introducing Judge Lynn for the Fellows Award. “Barbara was smart, has boundless energy, and the drive to achieve whatever she wanted.

“The rest is history,” said Coleman. “She is simply outstanding in everything she has ever done.”

In 1998, the *National Law Journal* named Lynn one of the 50 most influential women lawyers in the nation. A year later, SMU Dedman School of Law bestowed upon her its Distinguished Alumni Award for private practice.

That was before she took the federal bench.

In 1999, President Bill Clinton nominated Lynn to the seat vacated by legendary U.S. District Judge Barefoot Sanders. Eight months later, she was confirmed by the U.S. Senate. She was the first female federal judge in the Northern District of Texas since Judge Sarah T. Hughes retired in 1975.

Judge Lynn is one of the only individuals ever to serve as chair of two different sections of the American Bar Association: Litigation and Judicial. She is renowned for her mentoring of other women in the legal profession.

“Every time we called Judge Lynn to come speak to us or meet with us, she did it,” says Dena DeNooyer Stroh ’99, a former president of the Dallas Young Lawyers Association and now general counsel at Murchison Oil. “Judge Lynn is a hero to many of us. She just keeps giving back to us. She is our role model.”

## WALTER J. HUMANN ’67

A week after Judge Lynn received the Fellows Award, Southern Methodist University officials gathered again at the Belo Mansion for the presentation of the prestigious J. Erik Jonsson Ethics Award, which is presented annually by SMU’s Cary M. Maguire Center for Ethics & Public Responsibility.

The 2012 recipient was businessman and long-time public servant Walter J. Humann, who is a 1967 alum of SMU Dedman School of Law. Past winners include Ruth S. Altshuler, Michael M. Boone, Roger Staubach, Tom Luce, and Stanley H. Marcus.

The J. Erik Jonsson Ethics Award is given to individuals who exemplify the spirit of moral leadership and public virtue. Maguire Center leaders say Humann fits that description in every sense.

“I am flattered and honored to be named in such impressive company,” says Humann. “I didn’t merit this award, but now I feel motivated to do more to serve my community.”



Known as the “Father of DART,” Humann is chiefly recognized for being the driving force behind the creation of the Dallas Area Rapid Transit system, but he has accomplished so much more.

Humann, who holds a physics degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and an MBA from Harvard, played a pivotal role in the desegregation of Dallas public schools by founding the Dallas Alliance.

“I felt strongly the way to go was by voluntarily intermixing of the races, where you have a quality education at the end of the bus ride,” Humann told *The Dallas Morning News*.

Humann also led the successful redevelopment of the North Central Corridor, with Central Expressway and the DART rail line helping solve the nation’s “oldest living highway controversy.” He also helped mediate the Love Field dispute among three airline CEOs and the mayors of Dallas and Fort Worth in the 1980s.

He founded the Jubilee Project in the 1990s, which helped revitalize a 62-block inner-city Dallas neighborhood. Jubilee tries a unique approach by dealing comprehensively with all elements affecting a blighted community — public education, anti-crime, health, employment, housing, economic development, and physical improvements.

In 1968, President Lyndon B. Johnson selected Humann to be the first White House Fellow from Texas.

A past recipient of the SMU Dedman School of Law Distinguished Alumni Award, Humann wrote a children’s book, an illustrated poem entitled *The Little Crescent Moon and the Bright Evening Star*.

“Having worked closely with both Walt and Erik Jonsson on many projects, I can say that Walt’s spirit of public service and responsibility to his community



is cut from the same cloth as Mayor Jonsson,” said longtime SMU board member Ray Hunt, who chaired the Ethics Award event this year.

“Everything Walt has done for Dallas and its citizens, not to mention in his private business, has been conceived and executed with the highest level of ethical conduct and moral responsibility,” said Hunt, who worked with the awardee for nearly two decades when Humann was president of Hunt Investments and chair of Hunt Consolidated. “I believe that there is no one in Dallas more deserving of this honor than Walt.”

Humann leads his own firm, WJH Corporation, and has held top management positions in other major corporations, including Hunt Consolidated, Memorex-Telex, and the LTV Corporation.

## MICHAEL GRUBER '81

Recognizing his extraordinary commitment to volunteer service as a lawyer, the Dallas Lawyers Auxiliary honored Michael Gruber in April with its Justinian Award.

The youngest of nine children in a blue-collar Dallas family, Michael Gruber believed he would paint cars and work as a mechanic when he grew up.

However, Gruber’s civics teacher during his senior year at Thomas Jefferson High School saw that he enjoyed the classroom discussions about government and law and encouraged him to consider college.

“I loved the class and the challenge of thinking on my feet and discussing the importance of the law in people’s lives,” he said. “I never dreamed I’d have the kind of opportunities that I’ve experienced. The only difference in how our lives develop is the opportunities we’re given, and I’ve been very fortunate to be able to give back.”

Gruber received a four-year scholarship to attend SMU, and another



scholarship later to attend SMU Dedman School of Law, where he graduated in 1981.

Three decades later, Gruber is widely recognized as one of the best trial lawyers in North Texas. He is one of the founding partners of Gruber Hurst Johansen Hail Shank, a Dallas-based litigation boutique. He has won more than a dozen multimillion verdicts and judgments in business and commercial disputes.

Despite the success – or maybe because of it – Gruber has committed his life to helping others in need. He chairs the Children's Education Fund, which has raised more than \$8 million since its inception in 1994 to provide private, grade school education for 7,000 Dallas-area children. He serves as chairman of "An Evening Under the Stars," the annual Dallas benefit for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

In addition, Gruber is chairman of Dream Dallas, a program of Dallas Habitat for Humanity, to raise \$100 million for the revitalization of five at-risk South Dallas neighborhoods. He has served as a founding director of the

North Texas Entrepreneurs Foundation, which partners with the Communities Foundation of Texas to encourage young business people to engage in philanthropy. He is a director of Big Brothers Big Sisters, and the Dallas-Fort Worth Hospital Council.

"It is not often that you get to hear your own eulogy," Gruber told the packed ballroom at the Belo Mansion upon receiving the award. "Those of us who have been granted every opportunity to succeed need to pass on that gift. I have been blessed in every imaginable way and have no excuse not to give back."

## DENNIS J. GRINDINGER '82

Great corporate leaders have received the Robert H. Dedman Award for Ethics and Law, including the former Club Corp founder and chairman for whom the award is named. Others include TXU Energy Chairman Erle Nye, ExxonMobil General Counsel Charles Matthews, Belo Senior Vice President Guy Kerr, Alcon Laboratories General Counsel Elaine Whitbeck, and Archon Group former General Counsel Ron Barger.

**"...push the business line hard, but never cross any ethical line. In fact, if you ever even see the ethical line, you stop," said Dennis Grindinger, describing Ray Hunt's philosophy.**

The award, presented by the DFW Chapter of The General Counsel Forum, recognizes a corporate in-house lawyer who exemplifies the highest ethical standards in the practice of law.

The 11th recipient of the award certainly does that. He is Dennis J. Grindinger, the chief financial officer and executive vice president of Hunt Oil Company. He is the energy company's former general counsel and is a 1982 graduate of the SMU Dedman School of Law.

"What a wonderful honor to receive this award," said Grindinger. "The philosophy of Ray Hunt is to push the business line hard but never cross any ethical line. In fact, if you ever even see the ethical line, you stop."

"When you read in the newspaper about all these horrible cases of ethical lapses by corporate officials, it is great comfort to know that we will never be in that position," he says.

Grindinger earned a bachelor's degree in business administration at the University of Notre Dame. After law school, he joined the oil and gas practice at Thompson & Knight, first as an associate and later as a partner. His law practice focused on representing integrated and independent oil and gas companies.

In 2001, he joined Hunt Oil's corporate legal department and was the general counsel for eight years.

Now, as CFO, Grindinger manages all financial issues for the energy company. He interacts with sources of Hunt Oil's capital raising efforts ranging from acquisitions, mergers, divestitures, joint ventures, and construction of domestic and international facilities. ■



# CAREER SERVICES

*Innovative outreach efforts: Test Drive, Partner to Practice, judicial, and government opportunities*



“We are rising to the challenge of educating and preparing our students for an increasingly competitive job market by proactively continuing proven, successful programs, such as Test Drive and Partner to Practice, and developing creative new initiatives to bring students and employers together,” reports Assistant Dean Karen Sargent.

“We are also devoting additional resources to make our students more aware of the breadth of job opportunities available not only in the DFW area and Texas, but also nationally, by increasing the participation of law firms from other areas and states in our recruiting programs and by supporting students in applying for judicial clerkships throughout

the country. Our law school and our students, along with law schools and

**An impressive 85% of the graduates from the Class of 2011 who worked in a Test Drive program became permanently employed as a result.**

students nationwide, are dealing with a fundamental change in the demand for legal services and how legal services are provided.”

Two successful programs, Test Drive and Partner to Practice, have been continued for the third year and

have proven to be very beneficial for graduates, students, and their legal employers.

## TEST DRIVE

Test Drive, initiated in April 2010, helps graduates secure post-graduate legal experience that might lead to full-time, long-term employment. Under Test Drive, the law school agrees to cover the first month's salary (up to \$3,500) if a legal employer agrees to give a new graduate the opportunity to demonstrate his or her legal knowledge, skills, work ethic, and professionalism. The law school also will likely fund a second month if the graduate and law firm agree that it would lead to full-time employment. If the law firm or graduate decides after the first month not to continue their relationship toward

permanent employment, there is no further obligation by either the firm or the graduate.

An impressive 85% of the graduates from the Class of 2011 who worked in a Test Drive program became permanently employed as a result. Forty graduates worked in a Test Drive program, and 34

of them secured permanent jobs. The Class of 2012 became eligible to begin Test Drive employment in August, after sitting for the July bar examination. Currently, 77 graduates have registered to participate.

## PARTNER TO PRACTICE



The summer clerkship initiative for second-year law students—Partner to Practice—is extremely successful

in generating additional summer clerkships with law firms and corporate legal departments. To offer employers an incentive to hire, the law school matches the cost of a summer clerkship or internship dollar-for-dollar up to \$500 per week for a maximum of \$3,500 per student, in the form of tuition remission for the participating student.

“Partner to Practice was again a resounding success,” says Steve Yeager, the Director in the Office of Career Services who oversees the program and is in charge of employer outreach with small and mid-sized law firms and corporations.

“We received such a positive response from employers and students after the first summer that we continued the program for the next two summers. Over the past three years, approximately 80 law firms and 40 corporations have provided over 200 clerkships and internships for our students,” says Yeager.

“These opportunities were in addition to the clerkships secured through traditional on-campus recruiting and job postings. Our goal was to secure attractive summer positions for close to 100% of our second-year students, as would be the case in a normal market, and I believe we achieved that goal.”

The substantive experience, broader networks, and stronger resumes that our students obtained through the program have helped them find employment after

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law school. Although Partner to Practice employers were not asked or expected to offer employment on a long-term basis, 12 students from the Class of 2011 and 10 students from the Class of 2012 secured permanent employment with their Partner to Practice employers.

Many students continued working for their Partner to Practice employers during their final year of law school on a part-time basis, and several students reported that their Partner to Practice employers were instrumental in helping them find jobs with other legal employers.

An indirect but substantial benefit of the program has been its effectiveness as an employer outreach tool. The Office of Career Services actively reached out to firms and companies to create Partner to Practice opportunities. Several employers that had never hired from the law school before chose to participate in Partner to Practice. Many were so impressed with the caliber of our students that they posted other positions.

The SMU Dedman Law students appreciate the program, too, saying that they appreciate their law school standing behind them in these tough times and making a financial commitment on their behalf.

## JUDICIAL OUTREACH



SMU Dedman Law students also gained tremendous benefits from the many judicial internship and externship

opportunities developed and enhanced by the Office of Career Services in 2011-2012.

Through judicial internship programs

coordinated by OCS with the young lawyers associations of Dallas and Collin Counties, 42 students observed firsthand the realities of criminal and civil litigation in state courts, as seen from a judge's perspective, in summer 2012.

In addition, students interned for justices on the Texas Court of Appeals for the Fifth District, Dallas Division, and with a federal magistrate judge in Sherman, through an OCS selection process.

A number of students also secured positions with federal and state courts outside of the DFW area.

The Office of Career Services also facilitates the application process for two judicial externship programs at the state and federal levels. “The unique access our students have to judicial externships, given our relationships with the local judiciary and location in a large legal market, enables SMU Dedman Law to provide an invaluable experience to help our students be ‘practice-ready’ by graduation,” says Director Linda Hale, who coordinates the programs.

Forty-seven students participated in the Federal Judicial Externship Course in 2011-2012, working 120 hours for one of 20 participating federal judges and attending a one-hour class for the semester to learn the correct way to review and brief cases for a federal judge.

Similarly, the Texas State Court Education Program Externship provided 17 students with a comprehensive view of the state court process in an intensive summer program. Students give the programs high marks, commenting, “I learned more than I could possibly say” and found it invaluable “to see ‘law’ in action rather than in a huge casebook of appeals court decisions.”

Early exposure to the court systems during law school piques student interest in post-graduate judicial clerkships. Nine



SMU Dedman Law 2012 graduates will be serving in prestigious judicial clerkships during the coming term, in the Fifth Circuit, the Northern and Eastern Districts of Texas, the Texas Supreme Court, the Fifth District Texas Court of Appeals, and the Office of Immigration Review. These students were honored with a reception in May, attended by their judges, families, and SMU Dedman Law faculty and many alumni who served as judicial clerks.

## GOVERNMENT OUTREACH

The Office of Career Services continued to reach out to local, state, and federal



employers in the DFW area to foster and further develop partnerships through internships and externships, thus providing

students with opportunities to gain legal experience in order to better position themselves for post-graduate employment.

Career Services expanded this effort

last fall when it hosted the Government Lawyers Reception to honor area public servant lawyers, attended by more than 30 government attorneys representing 22 local, state, and federal agencies, and a large segment of the student body.

Additionally, the Office of Career Services worked with the Collin County District Attorney's Office, facilitating the restructure of its summer internship program, which resulted in the hiring of nine students to intern with that office in summer 2012.

Many students also secured internships with the Dallas County District Attorney's Office through a selection process coordinated by OCS.

## EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

SMU Dedman School of Law graduates work in every sector of the legal profession – private practice, business, government, judiciary, public service, and academia – as well as in non-legal careers where a law degree is substantially valued. Each year, the law school has proudly provided data about employment outcomes to prospective

students, admitted students, current students, and alumni. In today's more challenging legal market, we recognize that prospective students want and need more information than ever before in order to make decisions about their futures, and we are pleased to offer extensive data about employment outcomes.

All SMU Dedman Law graduates complete a standard Employment Report and Salary Survey, and aggregate data is reported to meet the current reporting requirements of the American Bar Association (ABA) and the National Association for Law Placement (NALP). The chart below shows the number of SMU Dedman Law graduates in various employment sectors nine months after graduation, which were reported to the ABA and to NALP in spring 2011. ■

### Employment Type (Class of 2011)

Law Firm	68.75%
Business	22.50%
Government	3.75%
Judicial Clerkship	2.50%
Academic	1.67%
Military	0.42%
Public Interest	0.41%



**Wendy Wang**

*Associate Director*

*Office of Career Services*

## WENDY WANG NEW OCS DIRECTOR

Wendy Wang joined SMU Dedman School of Law in January 2012 as an Associate Director in the Office of Career Services. Wendy is responsible for the development and implementation of career-planning functions primarily for the first and second year Evening Program J.D. students and International LL.M. candidates. In addition, she shares responsibility with the other Career Services counselors for career planning for third and fourth year Evening Program students.

Wendy earned her bachelor of arts in English from Washington University

in 1997. From 1997 to 1998, she taught English in South Korea under the Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship program. Wendy received her J.D. from the University of Texas School of Law in 2001. After graduation, Wendy joined the Dallas office of Bickel & Brewer, a boutique commercial litigation firm. From 2005 to 2008, she served as a staff attorney at IBM where she supported transactions for sales of hardware, software, and business consulting and IT services across different industries. Wendy returned to Bickel & Brewer from 2008 to 2010. ■



## JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

*Ten new grads head to coveted positions*

SMU Dedman School of Law is pleased to announce that 10 members of the Class of 2012 were chosen to serve in highly prestigious clerkships for state and federal judges in Texas.

"There is no better way to begin a career in law – any aspect of law – than a year spent working with a judge," says Associate Professor of Law Jeffrey Kahn, who chaired the law school's Ad Hoc Committee on Judicial Clerkships. "The faculty strongly believe in the value of clerkships and therefore have invested a lot of their time and energy into promoting, advising and assisting in the application process."

The 10 new graduates and the judges for whom they are clerking were honored with a special reception in May in the Rotunda of Dallas Hall. The judicial clerks include:

Natalie Cooley, who is clerking for Judge Catharina Haynes of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit; Trinitee Green, who is clerking for Bankruptcy Judge Harlin Hale of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas; Brennan Meier, who is clerking for Judge Jane Boyle of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas; Charlotte Nall, who is clerking for Justice Phil Johnson of the Supreme Court of Texas; Rebecca Nichols, who is clerking for Justice Douglas Lang of the Court of Appeals for the Fifth District of Texas, Dallas Division; Victoria Nsikak, who is clerking for Magistrate Judge Renée Toliver of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas; Bennett

Rawicki, who is clerking for Chief Judge Sidney Fitzwater of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas; Amber Reece, who is clerking for Judge Richard Schell of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas; Derric Smith, who is clerking for immigration judges in the Office of Immigration Review in San Antonio; and Esmeralda Tinajero, who is clerking for Magistrate Judge Irma C. Ramirez of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas.

"We are very pleased that so many of our students have the opportunity to serve as judicial clerks," says SMU Dedman School of Law Dean John Attanasio. "The experience they gain is unparalleled and invaluable."

"Clerkships are valuable for future litigators and transactional attorneys alike," says Professor Kahn, who clerked for U.S. District Judge Thomas P. Griesa of the Southern District of New York. "I've never met someone who could draft a legal document impervious to legal challenge, and those challenges tend to be decided by judges. What new attorney would not benefit from watching those challenges from the perspective of the judges who resolve them?"

Natalie Cooley interned for U.S. District Judge Reed O'Connor in the Northern District of Texas last year and made the decision then to seek a clerkship.

"Everyone I've spoken to said the year they spent clerking was one of the best years of their lives," says Cooley, who has accepted an offer to work for Thompson & Knight when she concludes

her clerkship. "My writing skills are going to vastly develop during the next year."

Brennan Meier, who taught fifth grade for two years in Las Vegas as part of the "Teach for America" program prior to law school, says his professors convinced him that there is "no better way to gain practical experience quickly" than through a judicial clerkship.

"I want to be in and around the courtroom as much as possible because I want to be an actual trial lawyer," says Meier, who graduated *magna cum laude* from SMU Dedman School of Law in May. "It seems like there aren't many civil trial lawyers out there who actually try cases, and I want to be in that handful who actually go to trial on at least a semi-regular basis."

The opportunity for Derric Smith is a unique but equally distinguished one. He was selected as part of the Attorney General's Honors Program of the Department of Justice, which is the largest and most prestigious federal entry-level attorney hiring program of its kind. The Honors Program is the only access to employment by DOJ directly out of law school, and it is very competitive.

"I feel that I was chosen because of my commitment to public service," says Smith. "I served eight years in the National Guard, including a year deployment in Iraq. I worked on Capitol Hill for two years with Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison. In law school, I did an externship with U.S. District Judge O'Connor, interned with the U.S. Attorney's office, and interned with the DOJ Executive Office for Immigration Review."

"Being a clerk is an amazing experience," says Smith. "I will continue to hone my research and writing skills while also getting to work with and learn from some of the best legal minds in the profession. My goal is to become a U.S. Attorney, so already working for the DOJ and doing a two-year judicial clerkship will put me way ahead in achieving that goal." ■





*Left to Right: WAYNE WATTS '80, Senior Executive Vice President and General Counsel, AT&T  
SARAH SALDAÑA '84, U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Texas  
ROBERT S. HART '86, General Counsel for Mark Cuban Companies*

# ADMISSIONS

## *New law students welcomed by distinguished alumni*

**T**hink big. Seek breadth. Establish building blocks.

These were the legal lessons SMU Dedman School of Law's Distinguished Alumni panel imparted upon the newest entering class. On the evening of August 14, 2012, SMU Dedman Law concluded its first-year orientation with an inspiring panel of distinguished alumni, including Robert S. Hart '86, General Counsel for Mark Cuban Companies; Wayne Watts '80, Senior Executive Vice President and General Counsel of AT&T; and Sarah R. Saldaña '84, U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Texas.

Hart shared with the students that he began working with Mark Cuban on a small real estate deal, never expecting the routine business transaction to evolve

into the general counsel position at a major entertainment enterprise. From the purchase of homes, to jets, to the Dallas Mavericks, Hart said, "Staying up with Mark Cuban is an every-day learning experience." A feat, he claims, that would not be possible without his SMU education. Instead of attempting to acquire depth in only one area, Hart encouraged the students to seek a breadth of knowledge in a variety of subject matters.

Echoing Hart's words, Wayne Watts told the students, "SMU will be a foundation for the rest of your life. Build it broad. Build it deep." Convinced he was going to be the next best criminal attorney, Watts never anticipated such a successful corporate counsel career, but credits SMU for providing the broad building blocks necessary to tackle the array of

assignments that appear on his desk daily at AT&T.

Maintaining the theme of fortuity in law and life, Sarah Saldaña swore in law school she would never be a litigator, much less a U.S. Attorney. Now the first Hispanic presidentially-appointed U.S. Attorney for the State of Texas, she left the students with a few simple, yet wise, words – "Never say never." Bursting with public service pride, she eloquently imparted, "There is no greater honor than to stand before a jury to say that I represent the United States of America."

Wrapping up the whirlwind of orientation, the alumni all assured the students they were on the cusp of an unforgettable adventure—and reminded them to enjoy it along the way. ■

# IMPRESSIVE ENTERING CREDENTIALS CONTINUE

*Caliber of newly-admitted students remains strong despite complex legal environment*

The quality of the newly-admitted students to the Dedman School of Law continues to impress, despite the unique challenges experienced this year. In striving for excellence, the full-time program remains consistently strong, and the part-time program proves to be one of the most competitive evening programs in the country.

Due to the ever-increasing caliber of applicants, the admissions process at SMU Dedman Law was very competitive, even in a down year for legal education. The Office of Admissions accepted 30.9% of applicants to the full-time program and 24.7% to the part-time program.

“We compete with the very best law schools in the country for the best and brightest future law students, and we were excited to welcome an extremely qualified class of first year students to SMU Dedman Law this fall,” said Assistant Dean for Admissions Jill Nikirk. The Office of Admissions received 2,370 applications, of which 1,792 were applications for the full-time program and 578 were applications for the evening program.

The quality of Dedman School of Law’s newly-admitted students held strong this year, despite waning interest in law school education nationally. The preliminary statistics show a median LSAT score for the full-time program of 164 (89.5th percentile), while the part-time program maintained its all-time high median LSAT score of 160 (79.9th percentile). Preliminary statistics show the median GPA for the full-time program at a 3.74 and the median GPA for the part-time program at a 3.5. Admissions statistics will be reviewed and certified by the ABA, on a voluntary basis, later this fall for the first time ever. We are releasing these preliminary



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statistics now, consistent with our past practices of announcing admissions statistics as soon as the new class matriculates in the fall.

The accomplished students in the Fall 2012 entering class earned degrees from prestigious universities such as Berkeley, BYU, Colorado, Duke, Florida, Fordham, Maryland, Michigan, Notre Dame, Purdue, Pepperdine, Rice, Tulane, UCLA, Vanderbilt, Virginia, Wake Forest, and all of the major Texas universities.

The Dedman School of Law also welcomed the fourth class into the Pre-Law Scholars Program. Highly-qualified incoming SMU undergraduate students were selected to join the pre-law program in conjunction with their admission to the university in Fall 2012.

“This year’s incoming pre-law scholars are the strongest group yet. The Pre-Law Scholars Program’s strength and reputation make it highly sought after and allows us to select the finest of the finest,” said SMU Assistant Director of Undergraduate Admissions, Allie Bures.

Recruiting top-notch students ensures the Dedman School of Law will continue to produce outstanding lawyers who will greatly impact the legal community. The Fall 2012 entering class has outstanding credentials and mirrors the reputation and success Dedman School of Law graduates achieve. It comes as no surprise that the Dedman School of Law attracts highly-accomplished individuals who ultimately raise the bar from year to year. ■



# DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI

*Honored by SMU Dedman School of Law*

**2011-2012**

## **DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARDS CEREMONY**

Four hundred alumni, faculty, students, and friends of the law school gathered to honor the outstanding achievements of seven impressive individuals at the 2011-2012 Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner on February 25, 2012. This year's tremendous turnout shows the continuing dedication of our alumni and friends, and the honorees' willingness to give back.

A special selection committee is tasked with reviewing letters of

recommendation for the nominees and selecting alumni who have distinguished themselves in a variety of areas, including judicial service, private practice, corporate service, international work, and public service. This year's awards were presented by Dean John B. Attanasio; Dr. R. Gerald Turner, President of SMU; Albon O. Head, Jr., Selection Committee Chairman; and Lynn Bozalis '90, Associate Dean.







## EDWARD B. RUST '75

### *Robert G. Storey Award for Distinguished Achievement*

Thirty-seven years ago, SMU Law Professor Alan Bromberg unexpectedly ended his three-hour evening class on securities law after 60 minutes. Something important had come up.

Ed Rust, a young first-year law student, exited the classroom at 7 p.m. instead of the normal 9 p.m., pondering what to do with the spare time. A little extra study would be wise, but he quickly shot down that notion.

"A good friend had given me the phone number of a young lady who carpooled to work with his sister-in-law," says Rust. "He kept telling me that I should call her. So, I pulled her phone number out of my pocket and dialed her number."

Rust introduced himself on the phone and invited the woman to Swensen's for ice cream. She agreed. And he now says it was the best decision of his life.

"Sally and I have been married for 36 years," says Rust, who received his law degree from SMU in 1975 and is now the chairman and chief executive officer of State Farm Mutual. "My message to today's law students is recognize opportunities, because you never know when a class cut short may change your life."

Rust, who is vice-chairman of the U.S.

Chamber of Commerce and a member of the Business Roundtable, is the recipient of the Robert G. Storey Award for Distinguished Achievement. He went to work at State Farm's regional office in Dallas immediately after graduating in 1975. A decade later, he was named the company's president and CEO. Two years later, the title of chairman of the board was added. He is now one of the longest serving CEOs of a publicly traded company in U.S. history.

A graduate of Illinois Wesleyan, Rust initially applied for the post-graduate engineering program at SMU. But he reconsidered after learning that SMU offered a joint JD-MBA program.

"I didn't go to law school thinking that I wanted to practice law," he says. "Rather, I was thinking professionally about the benefits of having a law degree."

His time at SMU Law School was filled with excitement. The Vietnam War was winding down, and Watergate was heating up.

"SMU provided a great environment to learn and develop skills," he says. "I specifically enjoyed the evening courses by downtown practicing lawyers because those classes brought together the theory of law with real world experiences."

Rust is on the corporate boards of several great companies, including Caterpillar, Helmerich and Payne, and McGraw-Hill. He also served on the National Commission on Mathematics and Science Teaching for the 21st Century (also known as the Glenn Commission) and on the No Child Left Behind Commission.

Speaking at the Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner in February, Rust said his legal training has helped him be a successful business leader.

"Law school forced me to open my eyes much more broadly in viewing the world in which we live," he told the 400 attendees. "The discipline of the law, the rigor of questioning, the need to develop

communication skills – all of these skills I obtained during law school have helped me in my business career."

SMU Dedman Law School taught Rust how to "delve into the gray areas, because you cannot be surprised by what comes up."

Rust says SMU Dedman Law is to be strongly commended for emphasizing international legal studies and for expanding its recruiting efforts around the globe.

"Fundamental changes have taken place in the world in which we live," he says. "The law school has done a tremendous job of preparing law students for the new global environment in which we live."



## WAYNE WATTS '80

### *Distinguished Alumni Award for Corporate Service*

Wayne Watts looks out a corner window office at AT&T's headquarters in downtown Dallas.

"I grew up right over there in Oak Cliff, and I can see the golf course where I used to work on the grounds," says Watts, pointing from his 37th floor window on South Akard to a couple miles away over the Trinity River. "I am truly humbled and



privileged to be in this position.”

The position is senior executive vice president and general counsel of the seventh largest corporation in the U.S.

A 1980 alum of SMU Dedman School of Law, Watts used those exact words – humbled and privileged – in February when accepting the Distinguished Alumni Award.

“Some of the best and most trusted friends I have are in this room,” he told the 400 people attending the dinner at the Westin Galleria. “We have the best law school dean. But as great of a dean as he is, John (Attanasio) is an even better friend.”

When he graduated from law school, Watts certainly didn’t dream of becoming the general counsel of a global telecommunications company with more than \$127 billion in annual revenue. He was to be a litigator and do criminal defense work.

He took on his first case while he was still in law school, representing a fellow student who had been arrested at a party for resisting arrest. He won the case when the judge granted his motion to dismiss.

“I wanted to go to law school when I was nine years old,” he says. “I watched Perry Mason and I knew right away that I wanted to serve people.”

Watts says he has great memories from his time at SMU. One of Watts’ favorite professors was Walter Steele, who taught criminal law. “If you got an answer correct in class, he would call you by the name of a famous criminal defense lawyer,” he says.

And he loved working in the legal clinic.

“I tell all law students that they should do clinic,” he says. “You are at the courthouse regularly and see lawyers in action. You are not just reading about it.”

Watts’s first job was as a criminal defense lawyer at the Dallas firm Rosenfield, Mittenenthal & Scheider.

“They gave me everything they didn’t want to do,” he says.

In 1983, Watts went to lunch at Peggy Sue BBQ with a law school friend who wanted to visit the SMU Dedman Law job placement office. While at the placement office, he spotted an advertisement by Southwestern Bell seeking an in-house lawyer. The company had 75 lawyers and offered an annual salary of \$45,000.

“The moral of the story is to eat more fried pies and onion rings,” he says.

Much has changed during the past three decades. Watts was hired to work in SBC’s litigation group, where he stayed for several years. In 1995, he moved to the telecommunications company’s M&A group, where he led SBC’s acquisitions of Pac-Tel, AmeriTech, Cingular, AT&T Wireless, and BellSouth – transactions that were valued at more than \$200 billion. Prior to his current appointment, as vice president and associate general counsel for AT&T he oversaw all mergers, acquisitions, wireless operations, international operations, strategic planning, U-verse strategy, and general corporate matters.

Six months after AT&T closed its 2006 purchase of BellSouth for \$86 billion, Watts was promoted to general counsel.

“This is a great job because I have to be more than a lawyer,” he says. “I’m involved in every aspect of the business, including the strategic part of the business.”

Watts now oversees a legal department with more than 450 lawyers.

“We do a lot more than just legal work,” he says. “The general level of sophistication of our legal department has increased significantly. As the business has changed, our legal department has had to change.”

For example, Watts has been a huge proponent of diversity. Three years ago, he started requiring outside law firms wanting to work for AT&T to submit their minority lawyer statistics.

“As a legal department, we have to help our company interact with our customers,” he says. “Do you think our

105 million customers look like me?”

Born in Abilene, Watts grew up and completed his high school education in Dallas. He graduated from the University of Texas at Arlington with a bachelor’s degree in business administration in 1976. He met his wife, Billie, in high school. They have been married for more than three decades.

In his spare time, Watts is an avid gardener.

“Whenever I’m feeling stress or just needing time to think, I will spend it in my garden,” he says. “When you garden, it makes you think about your roots. The roots are your foundation. I’m very humbled and privileged to have so many of my roots planted at SMU.”



## THE HONORABLE H. HARJONO '81

### *Distinguished Global Alumni Award*

Six of the seven recipients of the 2012 SMU Dedman School of Law Distinguished Alumni Awards were recognized in a wonderful ceremony at the Westin Galleria on February 25th.

Nearly five months later and 10,000 miles away, scores of people gathered at the Constitutional Court of the Republic of



In July 2012, Justice H. Harjono received the SMU Dedman School of Law Distinguished Global Alumni Award in his home country at the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Indonesia, presented by Dean John B. Attanasio.

Indonesia in Jakarta to celebrate Justice H. Harjono receiving SMU Dedman Law's Distinguished Global Alumni Award.

Justice Harjono, who received a Master of Comparative Law from SMU Dedman in 1981, is a truly historic legal figure in Indonesia – from his years as a judge on the nation's highest court to his earlier role drafting and adopting significant amendments to the country's constitution.

"We are extremely pleased and proud to call Justice Harjono a friend and alumnus. His hard work has laid the foundation for strengthening the Indonesian Constitutional Court and for furthering the constitutional development of Indonesia. We are happy to honor him with the SMU Dedman School of Law Distinguished Global Alumni Award," said SMU Dedman Law Dean John Attanasio.

In 1999, Justice Harjono was appointed to the People's Consultative Assembly, which was the highest ranking government authority at the time. As such, he was a prominent player in the successful three-year effort to amend the nation's 1945 Constitution, which dramatically changed the landscape of the Indonesian legal system, including the very creation of the Constitutional Court.

Another provision significantly altered the manner in which the sovereignty is performed. Before the constitutional reforms, the sovereignty was "fully performed by the People's Consultative Assembly." After the amendment was enacted, the sovereignty "is implemented according to this constitution."

At the recommendation of the People's Consultative Assembly, Indonesian President Megawati Soekarno Putri appointed Justice Harjono to the Constitutional Court for a four-year term (2004 to 2008). For a brief period, he served as the court's Deputy Chief Justice.

In 2009, the Indonesian House of Representatives elected Justice Harjono to serve a second term on the Constitutional Court. His term expires in 2014.

On July 16, 2012, in Jakarta, Dean John Attanasio presented Judge Harjono with the Distinguished Global Alumni Award.

The dignitaries attending the ceremony included Chief Justice Moh Mahfud MD; Deputy Chief Justice Achmad Sodiki; Secretary General Janedjri M. Gaffar; Registrar of the Court Kasianur Sidauruk; representatives from the House of Representatives Commission III, the Supreme Court, Ministry of Justice and Human Rights; the head of the Corruption Eradication Commission; a former Constitutional Court Justice; a member of the Constitutional Forum; the Association of HAN-HTN; and the Alumni Association of SMU Dedman School of Law, as well as some national figures and leaders of institutions of other countries.

In accepting the award, Justice Harjono recalled that he had to pinch pennies while attending law school in Dallas. He said he learned to "be very clever to manage finances."

The only entertainment he sought was provided free by the university at the

library. Harjono watched television news programs every evening to help him keep up with world events and to help him improve his English.

Harjono made sure to be places where Americans gathered so that he could listen to them talk. He and his friends often watched football, basketball, and other programs, he told the crowd at the award ceremony.

Harjono gave thanks to Dean Attanasio and the law school for the award, saying, "It's an honor."

In a speech opening the event, Chief Justice Mahfud MD said that Justice Harjono received the award after "a rigorous selection and it was very deserved."

"Harjono is a professional judge who works in an extraordinary way," said the Chief Justice, who gave credit to SMU Dedman Law School. "Justice Harjono is a professional figure of constitutional justice in his profession, especially in the field of law enforcement and human rights in Indonesia."



## HONORABLE DEAN M. GANDY '50

### *Distinguished Alumni Award for Judicial Service*

Most people know Dean Gandy for his amazing career as a bankruptcy lawyer and judge. Others know him from his



days in the oil and gas business.

But Judge Gandy, now retired and living in the Hill Country, fondly remembers his early years as a lawyer in Sherman where he practiced with Joe. A. Keith from 1950 to 1953.

For example, in 1952, he represented a teenaged girl who had been expelled from school because she had gotten married.

“That case was pretty easy because the law says that schools can only kick out students for incorrigible conduct,” says Judge Gandy, whose practice actually focused on representing clients in title and insurance claims disputes. “I was able to show the judge that marriage was not incorrigible conduct.”

A year later, he represented a Jewish student at Austin College when the school forced him to go to a Christian chapel or face expulsion. He won that case, too.

“I loved practicing law, and I loved the thrill of going to court,” says Judge Gandy. “The practice of law has changed – too much sitting at desks and not enough going to court.”

Judge Gandy, who received his law degree at SMU Dedman Law School in 1950, is the recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award for Judicial Service.

Born in Dallas, Dean M. Gandy has always lived life spontaneously. As a young man in college, he was walking down Main Street in downtown Dallas one day when he spotted a building with large bronze doors.

“I walked in and said, ‘You have great doors. I would like to talk to a manager about working here,’” he recalls.

The manager at the title company hired Gandy as a runner to help pay his way through school. He was later promoted to title examiner and title closer.

A love of speaking in front of crowds led Gandy to teach Sunday School. That same passion caused him to decide to go to law school.

“I loved debating; it is one of the reasons I went to law school,” he says.

As a student at Sunset High school in Dallas, Gandy repeatedly found himself facing the same opponent – a student at North Dallas High named Bob Dedman.

“Bob beat me in our first debate, and then I won the next one,” he says.

After two years practicing law in Sherman, Judge Gandy was lured into the oil and gas business in 1953. He eventually became executive vice president of Magna Oil Corporation.

“One of my favorite parts about working in oil and gas is that it required me to be in New York City a lot,” he says. “I loved the arts, music, theater, hotels, and restaurants in New York. Still do.”

In 1966, prominent bankruptcy lawyer William Rochelle convinced Gandy to leave the energy sector to practice bankruptcy law. That is where he built his reputation as a lawyer.

“Bill taught me everything I know about bankruptcy and reorganization,” he says.

One of Gandy’s big clients was the Bishop of Wheeling, West Virginia, because the church had significant financial interests in West Texas. He also developed a side specialty practice as one of the few lawyers in Texas litigating cases involving fake art.

In 1970, Gandy was appointed a Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Texas. He served as President of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges in 1981 and 1982 and later served as chairman of the State Bar of Texas’ Bankruptcy Law Section.

Thanks to what he calls “the absurdity of the U.S. bankruptcy laws which lacked the appearance of justice,” Judge Gandy became very active in pushing Congress to pass the Bankruptcy Code of 1978. He testified before three committees of the U.S. House of Representatives and two committees of the U.S. Senate. To help educate the public, Judge Gandy made numerous national television news appearances, including on NBC’s *Meet the Press*, ABC’s *Nightline*, and the *MacNeil Lehrer News Hour* on PBS.

Judge Gandy resigned from the bench in 1983 in order to join the national bankruptcy practice of Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld.

He was a partner in the law firm’s Dallas office until 1992.

“It is a hard thing for a judge to leave the bench, cease being a king to become a peasant,” Judge Gandy told those attending the DAA dinner.

“When you’re on the bench, you walk in a room, everyone stands up and they call you, ‘Your Honor.’ They laugh at all your jokes, which leads you to think, ‘Well maybe I should be a Jay Leno or David Letterman.’ But when you leave the bench, no one laughs at your jokes anymore.”

Judge Gandy says the decade he spent at Akin Gump was extraordinary. He says he worked with some great lawyers who were dedicated to the legal profession.

“All the success I’ve experienced is due to the wonderful education I received at SMU,” he says. “I am honored and very grateful to be recognized as an alum.”



## W. RICHARD DAVIS '58

### *Distinguished Alumni Award for Private Practice*

Richard Davis, a 1958 graduate of SMU Dedman Law School, has practiced law for 54 years, but the truck manufacturing defect case he defended in Homer, Louisiana stands out like few others.

The judge called the court to order and told

the lawyers representing the five defendants that they should proceed on the motion to dismiss.

One of the defense lawyers spoke up: "Judge, the plaintiff's lawyer isn't here."

"We will proceed," the judge repeated, this time more sternly.

Davis and his colleagues looked at each other, shrugged, and argued for nearly two hours, covering all their points.

"The judge congratulated us on a fine argument and said we had done a great job," says Davis. "And then the judge said, 'If the plaintiff's lawyer had been here, he would have argued this way.'"

"And then the judge said, 'I sustain his position,'" said Davis, a long-time litigator at Strasburger & Price in Dallas.

Davis told this story to a packed ballroom at the Westin Galleria when he was accepting the Distinguished Alumni Award for Private Practice being bestowed upon him by the SMU Dedman Law School.

The 400 people attending loved the story, laughing at every turn.

"So tonight, I propose a new course at the law school called 'Home Cooking,'" he told the audience. "No law school in the United States has a course on 'Home Cooking.' We could probably endow a chair for the course this evening."

Widely recognized for decades as one of the leading trial lawyers in Texas, Davis has tried hundreds and hundreds of jury trials and has been a member of the American College of Trial Lawyers for nearly four decades. He's handled cases in more than 15 states and Puerto Rico.

Earlier in his career, Davis and a colleague at Strasburger & Price represented a Buick dealership in a lawsuit against General Motors in East Texas. Davis and the Strasburger team won so impressively that GM hired Davis to defend it in dozens of future cases.

Davis received his bachelor's degree in business administration from SMU in 1956. He attended SMU on a scholarship to play tennis, which he did quite successfully,

including during his first year of law school. He lost only five matches in four years.

Davis says that he woke up one day during his junior year of college wondering what he would do for a living. His brother was a lawyer, so he thought he would apply to law school.

He says the nightmarish first year that law students fear today was also a reality back in 1956.

"It was the first time in my life that I had ever studied," he remembers. "The first semester was one of the most hair-raising experiences in my life. We had only one test and that was at the end of the year. We had no idea where we stood in the class. It was nerve-wracking."

Davis said there were 103 students who started with him that first semester.

"Colonel Harding once said to his men, 'Look to the right. Look to the left. Only one of you will be left,'" Davis said. "That's how my first year of law school felt. And there were only 50 of us left at the end of the first semester."

Fortunately, SMU and other law schools do a much better job in screening potential law students today than they used to, he says.

Days after receiving his juris doctorate in 1958, Davis joined Strasburger as the eleventh lawyer in the firm. He is now the Mayor of University Park, where he has lived his entire life.

"SMU Law School not only taught me how to be a good lawyer and how succeed in my career," says Davis, "it prepared me for life. And it has been a great life."

## SARAH R. SALDAÑA '84

### *Distinguished Alumni Award for Government Service*

Sarah Saldaña has the heart of a public servant. She has taught English to eighth graders, represented victims of human trafficking, helped victims of investment

fraud seek justice, and put corrupt politicians in prison.

A 1984 graduate of SMU Dedman School of Law, Saldaña is now the United States Attorney for the Northern District of Texas.

In February, she was honored with the law school's Distinguished Alumni Award for Government Service.

"I've worked at Haynes and Boone and Baker Botts, two of the finest law firms in the country," Saldaña told those attending the awards dinner at the Westin Galleria. "But there is something so special about standing in front of a jury and telling them, 'Ladies and Gentlemen: My name is Sarah Saldaña and I represent the United States of America.'"

"I get chills just thinking about it," she said.

Born in Corpus Christi, Saldaña graduated *summa cum laude* from Texas A&I University in 1973. She worked for the U.S. Department of Labor and the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. She also taught eighth grade English in the Dallas Independent School District.



After years of dealing with federal regulations, Saldaña started thinking about law school.

"My sister and I took the LSATs at the same time without knowing that the other was doing it," she says. "I needed to make a living and live in Dallas, so I only applied to one law school: SMU."



Saldaña attended SMU thanks to a scholarship that paid for part of her tuition. She and her sister, who attended the University of Texas School of Law, would talk on the weekends about their experiences.

“UT is a great law school, but I was so glad that I went to a school where the class sizes were smaller, and I could easily meet with one of my professors,” says Saldaña, who points out that her sister is now a judge in Corpus Christi.

In 1984, Saldaña clerked for U.S. District Judge Barefoot Sanders and then became an associate in the litigation section at Haynes and Boone. She jumped to Baker Botts in 1987, where she was later made a partner.

But in 1999, Saldaña decided she wanted to spend more time at home with her son, who had turned five.

In 2004, Saldaña went back to work, but not in the private sector. She joined the U.S. Attorney’s Office in Dallas, where she prosecuted a wide array of criminal cases, including bank and mortgage fraud and public corruption. Five years later, she was promoted to Deputy Chief of the Criminal Division.

After President Obama nominated Saldaña to be U.S. Attorney, the U.S. Senate confirmed her in September 2011. She is the first Hispanic to serve as U.S. Attorney in Texas.

“It is an honor to be your U.S. Attorney,” Saldaña told the alumni and friends attending the Distinguished Alumni Awards dinner. “Our district covers 100 counties in Northern Texas. We have 100 prosecutors who work every day to make this a safer community.”

## CARL SEWELL

### *Honorary Alumnus Award*

When most people think of Carl Sewell, they immediately associate quality cars and extraordinary customer service.

But legal education?



Sewell, who is chairman of Sewell Automotive Companies and its 16 franchises, quietly has been one of the biggest supporters of the SMU Dedman School of Law.

“The law school has produced extraordinary leaders in law, business, philanthropy, and government around the world,” says Sewell, who sports one of the most well-known names in all of North Texas. “The Dedman Law School has provided tremendous leadership and influence to our city and state. It is a great source of pride, and we are so fortunate it is here.”

In February, SMU Dedman Law recognized Sewell for his extraordinary contributions to the community and the law school by giving him the Distinguished Honorary Alumni Award.

Born and raised in Dallas, Sewell received his Bachelor of Business Administration in Banking, Finance and Economics from SMU in 1966. He served one year in the U.S. Army. In 1967, he became the third generation of his family to enter the automotive business. His grandfather started the business in 1911.

Sewell, who has been inducted into the Automotive Hall of Fame, has served as chairman of the Cadillac and Lexus dealership councils. He has served on the corporate boards of Neiman Marcus Group, Southwest Media Corporation, First City Bank, Ford Bank Group, United National Bank, and the Dallas Chamber of Commerce.

“Our dean, John Attanasio, has overseen a steady improvement,” he told the 400 people attending the Distinguished Alumni Awards dinner. “We can feel the momentum increasing. John and the Dedman Law School have reached out to the Dedman College to help create an undergraduate minor in law. In doing so, they are using the leverage of the law school to improve the overall strength of SMU.

“As we look at the rising LSAT scores and grade point averages, along with the very gifted appointments to the faculty, it is very clear that we are moving forward in meeting Bob Dedman’s goal that SMU School of Law be a top ten program,” he said. “The Dedman gift started us on this transformational track and we are all so thankful.”

Sewell shared his two signature qualities – business innovator and commitment to customer service – with the world in his bestselling book, *Customers for Life*. The book has sold more than one million copies and has been published in 17 languages. He has spoken on the subject at numerous corporate retreats and events at companies such as General Motors, IBM, Apple, Amoco, and Hewlett-Packard.

A current member of the SMU Board of Trustees, Sewell has also served as chairman of the SMU Cox School of Business Executive Board and has been honored with the Business School’s Distinguished Alumni Award.

“What do you think we are going to get when you mate a lawyer – albeit an honorary lawyer – with a used car salesman?” Sewell asked those attending the awards dinner. “I’m not sure the world is ready for that.”







Thank you!

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## CONGRESSMAN LAMAR SMITH '75

*Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee*

Major corporations across the U.S. pay big money to stay updated on federal legislation important to their businesses and to meet with powerful members of Congress.

Last October, more than 100 SMU Dedman law students enjoyed the extraordinary opportunity of being briefed on recently passed laws and pending legislation from one of the top lawyers in the U.S. House of Representatives.

Congressman Lamar Smith, a Republican from San Antonio and Chairman of the powerful House Judiciary Committee, spent an hour describing the legislative achievements during the past year, discussing proposals that are in the pipeline, and answering students' questions.

"Chairman Smith has one of the best jobs in the U.S. government," Dean John Attanasio said in introducing the congressman. "We are proud to count the chairman as an alum and thankful that he is willing to take time from his extraordinarily busy schedule to be with our students."

A member of the class of 1975 at SMU Dedman School of Law, Chairman Smith started his presentation by telling students that he had a confession.

"If I had known that I would become

the chairman of the judiciary committee, I would have studied harder, and I would have taken Advanced Con Law," he said. "I spent too much time playing tennis, too much time flying, and too much time working on the law school newspaper."

Initially elected to Congress in 1987, Chairman Smith represents Texas's 21st

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District, which includes parts of Austin, San Antonio, and a significant portion of the Texas Hill Country. Born in San Antonio, Rep. Smith is a fifth generation Texan.

He told students about the thrill of standing beside President Obama during the signing ceremony for the Patent Reform Act, which he co-sponsored.

"The President signed with 11 different pens, and I have one of them," he told the students. The chairman said he looked up the value of such ink pens by seeing what other pens sold for on eBay. His findings: \$750 to \$2,500.

"I have my pen on my wall, but my curiosity was satisfied," he said.

Chairman Smith pointed out that previous leaders of the Judiciary Committee include Daniel Webster and James Buchanan. "I would like to say that I have no plans to run for president or write a dictionary," he says.

Chairman Smith and Dean Attanasio also announced the creation of a special eight-week summer internship with the Judiciary Committee for one SMU Dedman law student a year.

"This internship truly is a wonderful opportunity for a student interested in public policy," says Dean Attanasio.

The 2012 internship was awarded to second-year Adam Tunnell, who was born and raised in Dallas and received his undergraduate degree in political science from Austin College in Sherman.

"Like all jobs relating to the law, the majority of the work I did involved researching and writing," said Tunnell. "I spent a fair amount of my day doing research for upcoming committee hearings, either researching laws previously enacted that were under review

and how those laws have been enforced throughout the United States, or doing research for proposed legislation.

"I also read witnesses' testimony and prepared questions for Congressmen to ask the witnesses during committee hearings," he said.

When Tunnell wasn't researching or writing, he was able to attend any other Congressional hearings on Capitol Hill.

Tunnell says the internship was a dream come true, and he is very thankful to the law school and Chairman Smith for giving him the opportunity to have such a tremendous experience.



## DISTINGUISHED JURIST-IN-RESIDENCE

*The Honorable Judge Randy Smith of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit*

On March 26th Judge Randy Smith of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit shared with SMU Dedman law students the biggest secret to winning over a judge at trial and on appeal – the standard of review. “Had someone shared this secret with me right out of law school, I would have been a better lawyer, because I would have been able to present to the judge exactly what was required under each standard,” he said.

Before his appointment to the Ninth Circuit by George W. Bush in 1997, Judge Smith was an Assistant General Counsel for the J.R. Simplot Company, a partner at the law firm of Merrill & Merrill, and a trial judge for the Sixth Judicial District of Idaho. He is also an adjunct professor at Idaho State University, where he continues teaching accounting, business law, and political science courses in the Economics and Political Science Departments. Judge Smith serves on the board of the Appellate Judges Education Institute and

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is a frequent and devoted lecturer at SMU Dedman School of Law.

At the start of his presentation, “What a Judge Expects at Trial and on Appeal,” Judge Smith took off his suit jacket and took control of the classroom – a symbolic transition from esteemed Federal Circuit Judge to passionate and engaging educator. After reminiscing about his own transition from law student to appellate practitioner, Judge Smith centered his lecture around one question he posed to the audience: “What’s the most important thing an attorney needs to know when coming before a judge?” When coming before Judge Smith, as the audience learned, you better know your standard of review, or in his words, “On what basis does a judge make his judgment?”

After describing the most common standards of review and how each affects his decisions on the Ninth Circuit, Judge Smith noted a final significance of following the appropriate standard. “It’s the sole consistency of our system that makes our work, work.” Imparting this system to the future attorneys in the audience, Judge Smith challenged the students to master the meaning of each standard as a way of maintaining consistency of precedent from one generation to the next.

Informing the audience that he would be judging the Howie & Sweeney Moot Court Competition the next day, Judge Smith gave a warning to the student advocates about what would be at the heart of his questions. He hinted, “They better well know their standard of review!”



# STATE BAR OF TEXAS HONORS LEGAL LEGENDS

*Tom Kurth '73 interviews Adelfa Callejo '61,  
and The Honorable Louis Bedford*



## ADELFA CALLEJO '61

Family, friends, members of the legal community, and students at the law school gathered in April as Adelfa Callejo '61 was honored by the State Bar of Texas as a Texas Legal Legend. The Texas Legal Legends Series seeks to preserve and share the perspectives of legendary Texas lawyers by covering their backgrounds, interesting stories, and thoughts on changes in the profession and its future.

Prior to the induction ceremony, Tom Kurth '73, a partner at Haynes and Boone, LLP interviewed Mrs. Callejo in SMU's Walsh Classroom.

Mrs. Callejo graduated from SMU Dedman School of Law in 1961, as the school's first Hispanic female graduate. This distinction came after Mrs. Callejo worked full-time for 10 years in order to fund her undergraduate and legal education. Mrs. Callejo graduated 34 years after the first woman graduated in SMU's initial class in 1927.

Mrs. Callejo shared with the audience her belief that people should strive to be students of the jobs above them and teachers of the jobs below them. For lawyers and law students specifically, she stressed the importance of deciding

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how to use a law degree for the benefit of the community, and not just as a means to earn a living. On this point, Mrs. Callejo stressed that a legal education can be an empowering weapon. In particular, Mrs. Callejo spoke of the unique opportunity that lawyers have to find solutions to difficult challenges, such as the one currently posed by our nation's struggling public schools.

This passion for school reform has been a persistent theme in Mrs. Callejo's life. At age nine, she joined her first march, calling for better treatment of Hispanic students in the segregated schools in south Texas, and served as her mother's interpreter in front of her school's PTA. At the Texas Legal Legends ceremony, she described how those early memories sparked her desire to produce change, saying that even at such a young age she knew it was wrong to segregate in schools. Perhaps even worse, Mrs. Callejo recounted, was her hometown's segregated cemeteries, which functioned to segregate in death, as well. Mrs. Callejo explained that her

early experiences first prompted her decision to become a lawyer – and they also explain why she never intends to “retire.”

Today Mrs. Callejo focuses much of her time on charity, further cementing a legacy that will continue to give. In 2004, Mrs. Callejo and her husband, fellow law school alum Bill Callejo, founded the Adelfa Botello Callejo Professorship with a gift of \$1 million to the law school; recently they created the Callejo Roundtable as well. The roundtable serves as a forum for community leaders to gather and discuss crucial issues facing Hispanic leadership. In the coming year, the Adelfa Callejo Elementary School will open in Pleasant Grove. Mrs. Callejo received a National Hispanic Leadership award during the Dallas Cowboys' home opener this fall.



## THE HONORABLE LOUIS BEDFORD

Last October 26th, attorneys, faculty, and students gathered at SMU Dedman School of Law as Haynes and Boone, LLP honored Judge Louis Bedford with the 2010-2011 Texas Legal Legends award.

The presentation began with a video highlighting the major milestones in Bedford's pioneering path to becoming Dallas County's first African-American judge. As Justice Lang-Miers noted in the video, "It's his elegance and intelligence that has allowed him to succeed."

That elegance and intelligence was palpable throughout the Walsh Classroom as Tom Kurth '73 interviewed Judge Bedford and guided the audience through his legendary life with letters, reflections, awards, and memories.

Persuaded by his legal role model J.L. Turner, Bedford left the comfort of his West Dallas home and enrolled in Brooklyn Law School at a time when African-Americans could not attend law school in Texas. After graduation, Bedford returned to Dallas, where he launched a pioneering legal career as a prominent civil rights attorney. Notably, Bedford was one of the lawyers who

filed suit against the Dallas Independent School District in 1954 to bring it into compliance with the Supreme Court's *Brown v. Board of Education* decision.

In all his legendary years of legal service, Bedford's proudest moments came as counsel for civil rights protestors during sit-ins. "I admired those young people from all across

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Texas, laying their life on the line for freedom," Bedford reminisced.

When discussing the importance of lawyers working for the less fortunate, Kurth asked Bedford how much of his work was "pro bono." Without hesitating, Bedford simply stated, "Well, I guess all of it!"

As the history lesson came to a close, Judge Bedford earnestly advised the audience of current and future attorneys, "If you commit to changing things, the money will follow." He shared, "I've put three kids through

school and got them a car. That's all they need."

When a lawyer is faced with the decision of whether to make a living or make a difference, the exemplary life of Judge Bedford stands for the lesson that with the law on your side, you can do both.

As the first active African-American member of the Dallas Bar Association, Bedford once wrote, "When I become an old lawyer and can no longer stand before the Bar, I will tell all who will listen of those Comets, dedicated, intense and brilliant, who illuminated the legal sky for all."

Thanks to Judge Bedford's own illuminating dedication, the future shines brilliant and bright for all attorneys and their continued pursuit of justice.



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The Appellate Judges Education Institute (AJEI) Summit is the pre-eminent provider of appellate judicial education in the United States. Designed by appellate judges, lawyers, and staff attorneys, the annual AJEI summits are unique in their focus on the challenging issues that judges and lawyers confront in the appellate arena.



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"INSIDE THE JUDICIAL SANCTUM: THE ART AND SCIENCE OF JUDICIAL DECISION-MAKING" PANEL (Left to Right): KIRSTEN M. CASTAÑEDA, Moderator, Locke Lord Bissell & Liddell LLP; THE HONORABLE EDITH HOLLAN JONES, U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit; THE HONORABLE BRETT M. KAVANAUGH, U.S. Court of Appeals, D.C. Circuit; THE HONORABLE MARK D. MARTIN, Supreme Court of North Carolina; THE HONORABLE EUGENE F. PIGOTT, JR., New York Court of Appeals

Hosted in the country's focal point of politics and power, this year's Appellate Judges Education

Institute Summit in Washington, D.C. was a sensational success. Among numerous other inspiring speakers, two Supreme Court Justices played an integral role in that success. Justice Sonia Sotomayor set the bar high for the summit with her rousing opening remarks, and Chief Justice Roberts followed suit with an elegant closing reception at the United States Supreme Court.

The Appellate Judges Education Institute (AJEI), co-hosted by SMU Dedman School of Law and the ABA Judicial Division Appellate Judges Conference, is the pre-eminent provider of appellate judicial education in the United States. This year's annual summit took place November 10-13, 2011, and drew more than 100 appellate judges along with an additional 150 members of the legal profession, including appellate lawyers and staff attorneys. The panels were comprised of notable scholars, distinguished appellate judges, accomplished appellate lawyers, and members of the press.

The summit opened with an interview of Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor and the Honorable Margaret A. Robb, Chief Judge of the Indiana Court of Appeals, moderated by Kevin Newsom from

## Two Supreme Court Justices played integral roles in the success of the annual Appellate Judges Education Institute Summit.

Bradley Arant Boult Cummings L.L.P. Reflecting on her experiences on the high court, Justice Sotomayor shared her appreciation for the collegiality between her colleagues, noting that despite their differences, all of the justices share a similar passion – the Constitution.

In addition, C-SPAN recorded a key panel titled “Inside the Judicial Sanctum: The Art and Science of Judicial Decision-Making,” consisting of Judge Brett M. Kavanaugh, U.S. Court of Appeals, D.C. Circuit; Judge Mark D. Martin, Associate Justice, Supreme Court of North Carolina; Judge Eugene Pigott, New York Court of Appeals; and Chief Judge Edith Jones, U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit. The panel was moderated by Kirsten Castañeda, an SMU alum and member of the Executive Board of the Counsel of Appellate Lawyers and Senior Counsel in the appellate practice group at Locke Lord Bissell & Liddell L.L.P. The panel of distinguished U.S. Judges discussed influences on the judicial decision-making process and the factors that dictate judicial decisions – logic, emotion, or a combination of both.

“The final product of this judicial process,” as Judge Kavanaugh noted, “is a reflection of the outcome of what I have learned from my colleagues.” In addition to collegiality, the judges also emphasized the role of common sense

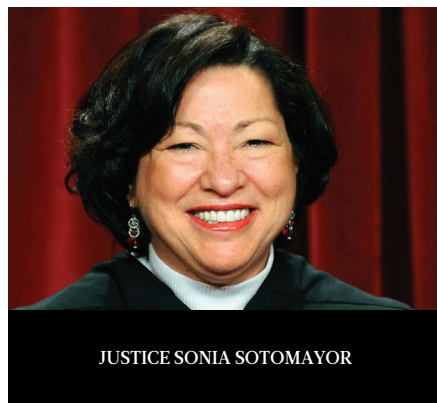
in their decision-making process. While the law dictates opinions, common sense must also assure that the result will work in the real world. Always trying to lighten the mood, Judge Pigott joked, “The law is common sense...as amended by the legislature.”

The panel concluded with the justices’ parting advice on how lawyers can aid judges. Above all else, the judges advised the lawyers to maintain their sense of polish. “Attorneys can help set the standard for a profession that needs more civility,” Judge Kavanaugh noted. “That doesn’t mean you have to give up your principles or position, but it does demand respect for opposing counsel and the lower court.”

The panel was followed by keynote speaker and author, Scott Turow, who delivered an intriguing speech titled “It’s Only Words: Thoughts of a Lawyer and Novelist.” Focusing on the law and literature movement, Turow shared his view of the law as one mode of expression for what is often inexpressible, by bringing into society private grievances for which there is no other redress. What attracted Turow, and many other lawyers alike, to the legal field is its evolving nature. “The law is so dynamic,” Turow noted. “It has the ability to reject timeworn precedent and become a more just instrument.”



CHIEF JUSTICE JOHN ROBERTS



JUSTICE SONIA SOTOMAYOR

Dean John B. Attanasio moderated a panel on “Supreme Court – Current Term Preview,” with Professor Drew S. Days, III, from Yale Law School, and Paul Clement, formerly with King & Spalding—both former U.S. Solicitor Generals. Dean Attanasio discussed common issues on the current Supreme Court docket, such as state law preemption, warrantless searches, intellectual property, free speech, immigration, and immunity. The panel discussed 17 cases of particular interest and importance.

Several other SMU Dedman School of Law faculty members presided as panel members during the summit, including Professor Linda Eads, who spoke on ethics and professional responsibility, and Jeff Bellin, who participated in the panel on “Emerging Issues in Criminal Law.” ■



“SUPREME COURT – CURRENT TERM PREVIEW” PANEL (Left to Right): JOHN B. ATTANASIO, Dean, SMU Dedman School of Law; DREW S. DAYS III, Professor, Yale Law School; PAUL D. CLEMENT, formerly with King & Spalding



# APPELLATE JUDGES CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

*State appellate court judges shared intense educational experience, led by SMU Law professors*



For the second year, appellate court judges from around the country gathered in Santa Fe, New Mexico for a week of continuing legal education at the Appellate Judges Certificate Program. The program, hosted by SMU Dedman School of Law and supported by the Appellate Judges Education Institute (AJEI), brought together 15 state appellate court judges from eight states, from as far away as Hawaii. The judges met for five days at the end of June, sharing intense and stimulating discourse on the most important legal issues of the day.

Three of SMU's law school faculty members – Professors Gregory S. Crespi, Joshua C. Tate, and William V. Dorsaneo, III – headed up the lectures and gave the appellate judges time to step away from the daily pressures of the bench in order to examine current controversies concerning court access, selected topics in the economic analysis of law, and the history of Anglo-American legal institutions.

The week-long format allowed the judges to delve into topics in greater depth than in typical judicial education programs, yet the program was still short enough to fit into the judges' busy schedules.

This year, the Certificate Program included 18.75 hours of class time: three 75-minute educational sessions each day.

The first class, "Selected Topics in the Economic Analysis of Law," was taught by Dedman Law Professor Gregory Crespi. In addition to teaching and research experience in the areas of business law, contract law, legal education, and law and economics, Professor Crespi also served as Senior Counsel for the President's Council of Economic Advisers for two years, during the last year of the Reagan Administration and the first year of George H.W. Bush's Administration.

One judge said that Professor Crespi was the best law professor he had listened to since his law school days 45 years ago, and that the class was the best law and economics course he had ever taken. The judges applauded Crespi for his excellent delivery, engaging manner, responsiveness to questions, and helpful hypotheticals.

The class for hour two was "Access to Justice: The Impact of Evolving Pretrial Dismissal Standards," taught by Professor William V. Dorsaneo, III, who is the Chief Justice John and Lena Hickman Distinguished Faculty Fellow at SMU Dedman Law. In addition to his teaching, Dorsaneo is an active appellate practitioner,

the principal author of the *Texas Litigation Guide*, and the author of two treatises and three casebooks.

Dorsaneo's class examined current controversies concerning court access. He addressed the recent developments in the law of personal jurisdiction limiting extraterritorial jurisdiction over nonresidents, including recent Supreme Court decisions concerning limits on the exercise of specific and general jurisdiction.

The judges commented that they enjoyed the course tremendously. They said Professor Dorsaneo's presentation was excellent and the subject matter was very beneficial, applicable, and relevant.

The final course, "History of Anglo-American Legal Institutions," was taught by Dedman Law Professor Joshua C. Tate. The course examined the development of Anglo-American legal institutions from the birth of the common law in the Middle Ages to the present day. Professor Tate's research and teaching is concentrated in the areas of legal history, property, and wills and trusts. He is currently engaged in a study of the development of property rights and remedies in medieval England, focusing on advowson litigation.

Professor Tate's course was given rave reviews by the judges for providing them with a great historical foundation in the evolution of early law. His course provided a thorough understanding of the history of our legal system, they reported.

"I can't tell you how much I enjoyed the Santa Fe Program. The professors who taught the courses made the program a success with their enthusiasm, knowledge, and presentation skills," said Justice Christopher Antcliff, Court of Appeals for the Eighth District of Texas. "I applaud SMU and its faculty for producing this program." ■

# BRYAN GARNER, SMU LAW DISTINGUISHED RESEARCH PROFESSOR, CO-AUTHORS 2<sup>ND</sup> BOOK WITH JUSTICE SCALIA

U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia told his co-author, SMU Dedman School of Law Distinguished Research Professor Bryan Garner, that he was “tired and exhausted of book writing” when they published *Making Your Case: The Art of Persuading Judges*, in 2006.

A little more than a year later, Garner’s phone rang. It was Justice Scalia. “I miss you.”

In June, the two published their second book, *Reading Law: The Interpretation of Legal Text*, a 608-page book that uses hundreds of actual cases to illustrate the meaning of constitutional, statutory, and contractual principles.

Garner, who is a frequent lecturer and writer, teaches a popular course to upper class students at SMU Dedman Law called Advanced Legal Writing and Editing. He is the editor-in-chief of *Black’s Law Dictionary* and about 20 other books.

A 1984 graduate of the University of Texas School of Law, Garner worked with Justice Scalia for more than 3 ½ years, including more than 200 hours side-by-side with the Supreme Court justice.

“We have a wonderful relationship,” says Garner. “We would work for hours, going through cases, and then go out for dinner and keep on talking.”

The Dedman Law School and its students played a significant role in the book and are recognized for their contributions in the acknowledgements.

“In 2008, Dean John B. Attanasio created the Garner Law Scholars program, which allows five to six students a year to work on projects with me,” he says. “I needed help locating cases that Justice Scalia and I could use as examples.”

The law students who worked on the book with Garner were Salman Bhojani, Gregory Brassfield, Levi Dillon, Andrew



BRYAN A. GARNER, *Distinguished Research Professor of Law, SMU Dedman School of Law*  
JUSTICE ANTONIN SCALIA, *Supreme Court of the United States*

J.M. Johnson, Carrie Xuan Nie, Abel Ramirez, Jr., Derric Smith, Ben West, and Kimberly Winnubst.

“The students are paid as research assistants, but we also give them credit in the book because it is important for our readers to know just how good the students at SMU are,” says Garner.

Bhojani’s assignment was to research and write one or two page briefs on cases

taught me several canons of construction that will help me when I practice law. I couldn’t have asked for a more rewarding experience.”

Brassfield says he enjoyed “seeing the painstaking process of producing what I believe is a magisterial work on interpreting legal texts.

“Professor Garner would recount stories of working with - and sometimes

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“that underscored some of the canons of interpretation mentioned in the book.”

“This was a fantastic learning experience because it taught me how to write concisely and clearly,” Bhojani says. “Once the book was nearing completion, I conducted cite checks on several sections of the book.

“This was an equally rewarding experience as I was able to read the words of two esteemed scholars before anyone else, not to mention the fact that I developed excellent bluebooking and editing skills,” says Bhojani. “This exercise

debating - Justice Scalia,” he says.

“For those of us who will likely never conference with a justice of the Supreme Court, those stories provided a rare look at the human, and often humorous, characteristics of one of the great legal minds of our time.”

“My time working with Professor Garner on *Reading Law* has been the pinnacle of my legal education,” says Brassfield.

The book also expresses thanks to Dean John B. Attanasio and to Gregory Ivy at the SMU Underwood Law Library. ■





## 2011-2012 MURRAH LECTURE SERIES

### “BEST APPROACH TO BRIEFING”

*AJEI Roundtable panel of distinguished judges, moderated by Professor William V. Dorsaneo, III*

As part of the annual Alfred P. Murrah Lecture Series on January 10, 2012, the Appellate Judges Education Institute held a roundtable discussion on the “Best Approach to Briefing.” The panel, moderated by Professor Bill Dorsaneo, consisted of distinguished judges from the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Fifth and Ninth Circuits, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, and the Courts of Appeal from Louisiana, North Carolina, California, and Texas.

In the discussion, which focused on what kind of brief a judge finds most helpful to read when deciding a case, the panel was asked to choose between two common, yet conflicting, approaches. The first, viewing the brief as a tight essay for raising only the most important issues necessary for digesting and deciding the case, or the second, analogizing a brief to a repository or encyclopedia of all information a curious judge might think is important, stressing the danger of omitting anything.

Despite differing opinions on which approach is best, the judges all agreed that attorneys should strive to keep briefs clear, concise, and compelling when

trying to persuade on appeal, or in the words of Judge Smith of the Ninth Circuit, “Get to the point and get out of there!” Advocating for the first approach, Judge Callahan, also from the Ninth Circuit, informed the students that lawyers have a deceptively simple job – to persuade. “If you can win with the knife, then don’t call the army,” advised Judge Hunter of the North Carolina Court of Appeals.

find things we can’t trust,” Judge Callahan sternly stated, “then the whole brief is now suspect.”

In summary, no one approach will fit perfectly for every appeal. In the wise words of Judge Effron of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, “If you think like a judge when writing a brief, you may have a better chance of winning on appeal.”

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Appreciating the inclusivity of the second approach, Justice Lang-Miers of the Fifth District of Texas Court of Appeals reminded the audience that judges cannot practice law and are sometimes left wishing an issue had been raised. “That’s the responsibility of the lawyer to bring it forward,” she noted. Several members of the panel also emphasized the importance of an attorney’s credibility before the bench, warning students against misrepresenting bad facts. “If we

The panel on the “Best Approach to Briefing” included Judge Catharina Haynes, U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit; Judge Consuelo Callahan, U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit; Judge Andy Effron, Senior Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces; Justice Elizabeth Lang-Miers, Texas Court of Appeals, Fifth District; Judge Marc Amy, Louisiana Court of Appeal, Third Circuit; Justice Tom Hollenhorst, California Court of Appeal, Fourth Appellate District, Division Two; and Judge Robert Hunter, North Carolina Court of Appeals. ■



## HOWIE & SWEENEY MOOT COURT COMPETITION

*Advocates-in-training battle before a panel of distinguished judges*

Does reading information on an X-ray slide constitute the use of tangible property, so as to waive sovereign immunity for a government hospital? That was the million-dollar question in the Georges' medical malpractice suit against Adams Jude University Medical Hospital and the doctors who cared for their 14-year-old daughter, Lacy George. Diagnosed with Crohn's disease, Lacy underwent successful surgery but developed a post-operation infection due to an excessive dose of antibiotics, causing chronic difficulty in swallowing and an increased risk of choking.

The answer to the essential sovereign immunity question was in the hands of the fictional Court of Appeals for the Fifteenth District of Texas, where advocates-in-training from SMU Dedman School of Law battled before a panel of distinguished judges as part of the 2012 Howie & Sweeney Moot Court Competition. The annual competition originated with a gift from John Howie and Paula Sweeney from the law firm Howie & Sweeney, L.L.P., and each year it provides law students with an exceptional opportunity to hone their advocacy skills before an elite panel of judges. The 2012 panel included Judge Marc Amy from the Louisiana Third Circuit Court of Appeals; Judge Randy

Smith of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit; and Judge Patrick Higginbotham of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, who served as the panel's Chief Justice.

The facts of the fictional case were compelling. On February 10, 2010, an X-ray was taken of Lacy George's neck and chest. Despite evidence of a fungal infection, Lacy's doctors misinterpreted the X-ray and informed her it was inconclusive. As a result, the infection spread, leaving Lacy with a lifelong swallowing disability.

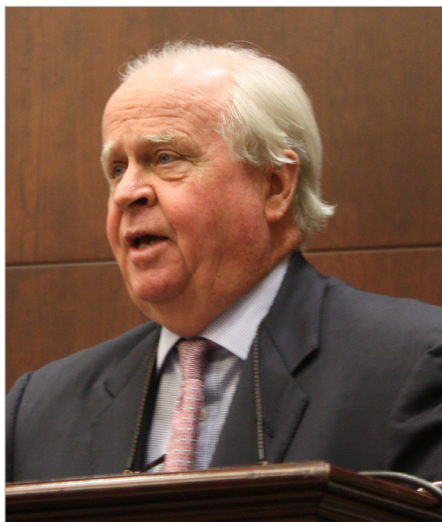
SMU students Chris James and Jane Cherry, enthusiastically advocating for the Georges, argued that an increased dosage of antibiotics and the doctors' failure to properly read the post-operation X-ray constituted medical negligence. In response, Bennett Rawicki and John Sokatch vigorously defended the hospital and the doctors, arguing that a negligent reading of an X-ray does not constitute use of tangible property, but rather, a misuse of information. Judge Higginbotham began the barrage of questioning, asking the advocates to analyze sophisticated analogies and distinguish adverse authority. Judge Smith quickly followed suit, intentionally interrupting the

students' flow to test their procedural knowledge of the standard of review and burden of proof for the appeal.

The panel of judges ultimately agreed that the X-ray did not constitute tangible property, ruling that the hospital was immune from suit under the Texas Tort Claims Act and awarding the moot court competition victory and Best Brief honors to Rawicki and Sokatch. Rawicki garnered Best Advocate accolades, as well.

After the arguments came to a close, Judge Amy commented on how composed the SMU students remained under difficult questioning, forecasting their "bright futures as appellate advocates." Judge Smith shared similar sentiment and told the audience it was a tremendous honor to judge the competition alongside Judge Higginbotham, his lifetime legal hero. To conclude, Judge Higginbotham left the student-litigants with a lasting lesson. "Remember, the most important thing is your integrity and credibility. If you respect the court as an institution, you will be well received." The 2012 Howie & Sweeney oral advocates were well received, indeed. ■





## GERALD J. FORD '69

*Chairman of Hilltop Holdings Inc.*

"Main Street met Wall Street in the housing market," stated Gerald J. Ford, SMU Dedman School of Law '69. Ford, a self-made billionaire known for his banking investments, spoke to law students in the Hillcrest Classroom on October 14, 2008, as the country's financial problems accelerated into a full-blown crisis. Many of his insights proved prescient. On September 15, 2011, Mr. Ford returned to Hillcrest to discuss the current state of the economy and to offer a prognosis to a room filled with law students hoping for good news on job growth.

"America responds well to crisis," remarked Ford to students and faculty, "and Texas is in better shape than anybody." That being said, he was ambivalent about an economic revival in the United States. Ford mentioned that while most of the national banks have repaid their TARP loans and have enjoyed at least a period of profitability, the same cannot be said for a number of community banks throughout the country. These community banks tend to engage in direct relationships with their borrowers, which are typically small businesses that generate economic growth in the community. With local banks remaining risk averse, small businesses have not had the resources to grow and hire as many new

employees as Ford would like to see.

Mr. Ford credited the Bush administration as well as the Obama administration for making the transition as smooth as possible during such a fiscally challenging time, and he gave both treasury departments "high marks" for their efforts to rebuild confidence in our nation's financial system. According to Ford, however, there is "no elegant solution." He described Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac as problems, and from an intellectual standpoint, Ford reasoned that both institutions should be retired. But doing so would stand in opposition to the country's long-held public policy encouraging home ownership.

Although circumstances are difficult, and there is no clear path to righting the economic course, Ford encouraged his audience of future attorneys to use their positions to help correct unsustainable lending practices and hold dishonest parties liable for their actions.



## JUDGE RICHARD LINN

*United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit*

SMU Dedman law students crowded the Hillcrest Classroom early in autumn to hear the Honorable Judge Richard Linn of the United States Court of Appeals

for the Federal Circuit discuss the latest jurisprudence in the field of Intellectual Property. The audience anticipated a lecture on topics related to the "hard" sciences and patent prosecution, but Judge Linn came to discuss something different. To Judge Linn, IP concerns more than simply the words *intellectual* and *property*; rather, it stands for concepts foundational to each young lawyer's success – integrity and priority.

Judge Linn began with his ideas on integrity. Recounting an incident early in his career, he described a crisis of conscience he encountered when a partner for the law firm at which he worked asked him not to produce certain documents that would be harmful to an important client's case. The rules of discovery, however, mandated that the firm produce these documents, and failure to do so would clearly violate the rules of ethical conduct the young Linn had sworn to uphold. The Judge spoke frankly to the students, predicting that they, too, will receive pressure to cut corners. "But when you start cutting little corners," he said, "they will get bigger, and it will become your unshakeable reputation [and] define your career."

After encouraging the students to practice law ethically, Judge Linn addressed their future courtroom conduct. He argued that zealous advocacy is compatible with respect and courtesy, and he inspired the crowd always to act as good officers of the court. Drawing an analogy to the parent-child relationship, he advised the audience to incorporate the same sense of professionalism in and out of the courtroom.

Judge Linn moved on to discuss priorities and shared a personal story with the students. He recalled an evening shortly after President Clinton had appointed him to the Federal Circuit, when his wife had prepared a romantic dinner for two. All he had to do was leave the courthouse. On his way out the door, however, another judge asked for his opinion about a case, and before

he knew it, Judge Linn had spent the entire night discussing the finer points of patent law, and his romantic dinner had gone cold. Busy at work the next day, the Judge remembered he had a speaking engagement to the students at Georgetown, and he dropped everything to be there on time. Judge Linn recalled the realization he had on the way to the university – he had mismanaged his priorities. He encouraged the students to make the difficult commitment to setting boundaries for their personal lives, adding that most partners will admire them for it because they face the same problems, too.

On Tuesday, September 27, 2011, in the Hillcrest Classroom, IP turned out to stand for a lot more than intellectual property.



## ROSS BUCKLEY

*Professor of International Finance Law, University of New South Wales*

“Have you ever had a gin and tonic without ice?” With this colorful beginning, Professor Ross Buckley grabbed the attention of a room full of sleepy-eyed students during a recent visit to a morning class in Hillcrest.

The opening line was used to introduce why, in Professor Buckley’s opinion, international institutions have

failed to adequately address the global financial crisis. The institutions in their present form, like a dry gin and tonic, just lack that special sizzle we’ve grown accustomed to.

With these remarks, Buckley began a series of two talks at the Dedman School of Law on November 10th. The second talk was given at lunchtime as the Sir Joseph Gold Lecture.

In the lecture, entitled “The New Rich Kid on the Block: How Australia Avoided the Global Financial Crisis and the Resulting Frailties in its Financial System,” Buckley, Professor of International Finance Law at University of New South Wales, offered a mixed financial outlook for his native Australia. At the outset, Buckley noted Australia’s insulation from the global financial crisis, even suggesting that most Australians are unaware of the full extent of the world’s financial troubles.

Nonetheless, Professor Buckley went on to say that Australia now has many of the same problems as pre-crisis America – inflated housing prices and a small collection of banks that are protected as “too big to fail.” Buckley expressed concern that both the United States and Australia are overly reliant on “casino capitalism” whereby financiers seem to engage in prospective gambles, as opposed to committed investments in industries like infrastructure. When asked for an answer to these varying challenges, Professor Buckley joked and said he had hoped the students could help find the answer for him.

After the talk, Professor Buckley praised the warm atmosphere of the campus. The speech was Buckley’s first opportunity to visit SMU and was given in honor of Sir Joseph Gold. Gold, former General Counsel of the International Monetary Fund, was a frequent lecturer at SMU Dedman Law before his death in 2000. Upon his death, Gold bequeathed his personal library and papers to the Underwood Law Library. In honor of this bequest, the SMU International Law Society and the International Law Review Association host this annual lecture.



## HÅKAN FRIMAN

*International Criminal Court*

Students, faculty, and guests were treated to a special international law lecture held at SMU Dedman School of Law on March 20th. This event was sponsored by SMU Dedman School of Law, American Constitution Society, SMU Student Chapter, SMU International Law Society, and the SMU Human Rights Legal Association. The featured guest speaker was Håkan Friman, Deputy Director-General of the Swedish Ministry of Justice, Division for Criminal Cases and International Judicial Cooperation. A capacity crowd in Walsh Classroom was able to hear the author of a number of articles on international criminal law, particularly on issues of procedural law, speak on “What Cases Should Go to Trial? Confirmation of Charges at the International Criminal Court.” Friman delivered the lecture just weeks after the ICC Trial Chamber reached its first verdict.





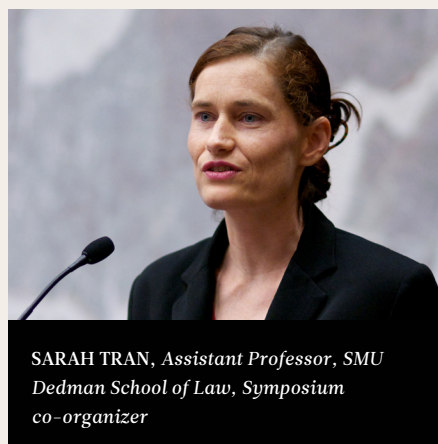
XUAN-THAO NGUYEN, Professor, SMU Dedman School of Law, Symposium Organizer; HONORABLE T. JOHN WARD, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas (Ret.)



DAVID TAYLOR, Assistant Professor, SMU Dedman School of Law, Symposium co-organizer



KEITH ROBINSON, Assistant Professor, SMU Dedman School of Law, Symposium co-organizer



SARAH TRAN, Assistant Professor, SMU Dedman School of Law, Symposium co-organizer

## THE AMERICA INVENTS ACT

### Symposium on Emerging Intellectual Property Issues

With Microsoft recently paying \$1.3 billion for 800 patents from AOL, and Facebook buying 750 patents from IBM, companies are constantly competing in a new “patent arms race” as a way of enhancing their monopolistic behavior.

On April 20th, the 2012 Symposium on Emerging Intellectual Property Issues tackled these significant challenges at

3,000 cases. Judge Ward was named Trial Judge of the Year in 2009 by the Texas Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates and was selected by *The American Lawyer* magazine as one of the top 25 most influential people in IP.

As one of America’s most experienced patent infringement trial judges, Judge Ward commented on the America Invests Act (AIA) as the first major reform of

The conference analyzed the impact of the AIA, which changed the U.S. patent system from a “first to invent” to a “first to file” system.

this critical juncture in the U.S. patent system. Presented by SMU Dedman School of Law and sponsored by The Ware Firm, this year’s ninth annual IP conference highlighted and analyzed the impact of the recent Leahy-Smith America Invests Act for the numerous attorneys, academics, jurists, and industry experts in attendance.

The Honorable T. John Ward, retired District Judge for the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, presented the symposium’s keynote address. After spending 31 years in private practice, Judge Ward was appointed to the bench by President Clinton, where he presided over 150 jury trials, managing a diverse, intellectual property-heavy docket, resulting in the final disposition of over

patent law in almost six decades. Judge Ward commended the Act’s sponsors, Congressmen Lamar Smith (Dedman Law alum, Class of 1975) and Patrick Leahy, for the passage of this historic legislation.

In the eyes of Judge Ward, the AIA, which changed the U.S. patent system from a “first to invent” to a “first to file” system, serves as an eloquent example of how our system is designed to work with bipartisan support. “The art of compromise,” he remarked, “is a characteristic associated with great statesmanship and drives the economic engine of our country.”

After telling tales of the triumphs and tribulations from his vast experience as a trial lawyer, Judge Ward instilled in the

audience a lasting message of hope. “In the complex world we live in,” he advised the current and future attorneys, “there’s always hope for a better and brighter future for our nation because of your part in the justice system as guardians of the rule of law.”

A panel moderated by Dedman Law Professor Xuan-Thao Nguyen paid tribute to Judge Ward. Panelists included Hilda Galvan, Jones Day; Chad Everingham, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP and Former Magistrate Judge of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas; Clyde Siebman ’84, Siebman, Burg, Phillips & Smith, LLP; and George Bramblett ’66, Haynes and Boone, LLP. ■

# ALUMNI & FACULTY PLAY KEY ROLE IN NEW DALLAS PATENT AND TRADE OFFICE

*Lisa Evert '87, Mark Hubbard '88, and SMU Dedman Law Professor Xuan-Thao Nguyen*

Late last year, when Lisa Evert '87 (Hitchcock Evert LLP) was attending a Dallas Bar Association section officers' meeting, colleague Max Ciccarelli (Thompson & Knight LLP), who was then the chair of the Dallas Bar's Intellectual Property Section, mentioned that the U.S. Patent and Trade Office (USPTO) was soliciting recommendations for sites for satellite Patent Offices authorized under the America Invents Act. Everyone at the meeting agreed that Dallas was a natural fit for a satellite office – a vibrant tech sector, an international law school, several local engineering programs, central geographic location, reasonable cost of living – and immediately went to work on preparing their proposal to the USPTO.

Their pitch was joined by letters of support from Mayor Mike Rawlings, local high-tech companies, and individuals. Now just five months later, Dallas has been chosen as one of three cities for a satellite Patent Office. The others are Denver and San Jose, with the first satellite office opened in Detroit last year.

This is a very exciting opportunity for everyone in the Dallas area. Not only is the satellite Patent Office going to impact patent attorneys and local tech companies, it will create jobs for people with engineering and science degrees, bring new residents into the local housing market, stimulate the travel and hospitality industries with lawyers and inventors coming down to the Patent



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**Xuan-Thao Nguyen**  
Professor of Law



**Mark Hubbard '88**  
Hubbard Law PLLC

**This is a very exciting opportunity for everyone in the Dallas area. Not only is the satellite Patent Office going to impact patent attorneys and local tech companies, it will have wide-ranging, positive effects on our community and our economy.**

With input from colleagues at other law firms, the Dallas Chamber of Commerce, the IP Faculty at SMU Dedman School of Law, the Center for American and International Law, and many other groups, they were able to put together a proposal that showed the USPTO all the advantages that Dallas had to offer. Evert was also assisted by fellow alum Mark Hubbard '88 (Hubbard Law PLLC) in refining the proposal and rallying community support, among others.

Office, and open up new possibilities for non-tech positions that will support the Patent Office and its operations. This is going to have wide-ranging effects on our community and our economy.

"I am very proud to have been a part of a fantastic team that rallied support for bringing a satellite Patent Office to Dallas," said Evert, "I am absolutely delighted that our hard work paid off. I am so looking forward to watching the satellite Patent Office become a thriving part of Dallas's landscape." ■







XUAN-THAO NGUYEN, Professor, SMU Dedman School of Law, Symposium Organizer; TED PRICE, Founder and CEO, Insomniac Games, Keynote Speaker



## GAME::BUSINESS::LAW

*Annual symposium on the law and business of video games*

On January 25th and 26th, SMU Dedman School of Law co-hosted the fourth annual Game::Business::Law International Summit on the Law and Business of Video Games. More than 140 participants officially attended the conference, and many additional visitors were present to fill the Walsh Classroom throughout a series of discussions, lunches, and a formal reception. The two-day conference, hosted by SMU Dedman School of Law, The Guildhall at SMU, and The Center for American and International Law, drew intellectual property attorneys and industry professionals from the areas of development, publication, and distribution.

The conference began with an opening address by Ted Price, President and CEO of Insomniac Games. Though Price had been brought to campus to discuss his company's culture, he eschewed the directive and instead offered several "crazy predictions" for the industry, which he felt would be more informative and entertaining for the diverse audience. He predicted that India will become the largest market for video games; that by 2015, the use of social media will drive the development of a new credit rating system; that in 2016 Mark Zuckerberg will become

the first write-in President; and that Bill and Melinda Gates will develop a "virtual school" in the future. Though Price acknowledged that his predictions were far-fetched, he emphasized that anything is possible in the video game industry given the quick and broad transformations that have occurred in recent years.

From a more realistic vantage, Price discussed the need for members of the industry to think of games as a service, rather than a commodity. Price emphasized that the era of the expensive single console video game is over and that the industry must now cater to younger generations. Price referred to children as young as two who are going to grow up in a world where they will be accustomed to buying things via iTunes and Facebook. Thus, moving forward, Price predicts that the most successful games will be those that take advantage of the natural tendency to connect with others. Following the message, one student compared the caliber of the speech given by Mr. Price to one he had previously heard given by Steve Jobs.

The first day continued with three diverse sessions catering to participants of differing interests, including "Social Gaming Legal Issues' Impact on Creative, Development,

and Business Success"; "Playing and Paying"; and "Open for Business: Are Government Incentives Working?" The day ended with a reception at the Meadows Museum sponsored by Munck Carter and featuring Adam Sessler, host of "X-Play," the most-watched videogame series on television.

The conference continued on Thursday with a review of litigation from 2011 that impacted the industry. SMU Dedman Law Professors Xuan-Thao Nguyen and Keith Robinson were present to lead the discussion that focused on the recent Supreme Court decision in *Brown v. EMA/ESA*. *Brown* arose out of the video game industry's challenge to a 2005 California law that imposed restrictions on minors' access to "violent" video games. The *Brown* majority, authored by Justice Scalia, held that violent video games could not be censored as obscene, comparing the games, instead, to gruesome fairy tales that are freely told to children. The decision was discussed as a huge win for the industry, though the breadth of the holding is still unclear. One student in attendance commented that it was nice to listen to his professor in a unique context and to have had the opportunity to actually meet one of the key participants in the litigation, ESA General Counsel Christian Genetski.

The second day also featured a particularly interesting session focusing on venture capital in which several panelists discussed methods to raise venture capital. The panelists, including developers who had successfully raised capital, stressed that the process must be approached with patience. The session provided a nice transition to the conclusion of the conference, "Game Pitches in Action." In this lunchtime event, four independent studios actually pitched their new games to venture capitalists, giving the audience a unique opportunity to watch the venture capital process live.

The conference left the participants motivated and inspired for the future. In addition, the conference gives the law school a platform to promote the city of Dallas as a hub of this economically powerful sector. ■

On October 11, 2011, Chinese and U.S. judges, professors, attorneys, and students packed the platforms of Hillcrest Classroom to exchange ideas and enhance cooperation on the latest developments in China's intellectual property law, innovation, and policy. Designed to foster greater understanding of China and its practices, this year's symposium, "China IP: NOW!" was presented by SMU Dedman School of Law and sponsored by Shore Chan Bragalone DePumpo LLP and the Center for American and International Law.

Dean Attanasio began the discussion by detailing SMU's intense dedication to intellectual property and the school's strong ties to China. He noted, "With SMU holding one of the oldest international law and LL.M. programs, this conference blends two of our strongest commitments – IP and international affairs."

As one of the top emerging IP scholars in the country with five books and 28 articles, Professor Xuan-Thao Nguyen was the driving force behind "China IP: NOW!" "The impetus behind this symposium," Professor Nguyen passionately pronounced, "is to learn first-hand from the Chinese judges, professors, and lawyers, as experts who have come to SMU to share the profound changes that are happening in China IP law."

Michael Shore '90 presented an insightful keynote address, "Perspective from a U.S. Law Firm's IP Experience in China." An expert in the areas of intellectual property commercialization and business litigation, Shore is a partner at Shore Chan Bragalone DePumpo LLP and represents clients ranging from Fortune 500 companies to individuals located in the United States, Japan, Great Britain, Luxembourg, Taiwan (ROC), and the People's Republic of China.

With extensive experience operating a firm in the thick of Eastern culture, Shore has found China's biggest challenge is creating an IP system capable of rebalancing an innovative playing field that currently tilts to the West. To accomplish this vast task, China is creating more patents with better enforcement, at a higher rate than ever before. Shore predicts China will quickly



Chinese Intellectual Property Judges Panel: Moderator, ZUNXUAN "DIGGER" CHEN, Locke Lord LLP; THE HONORABLE JUDGE CHENG YONGSHUN, Intellectual Property Court, The Supreme People's Court of China; THE HONORABLE JUDGE YU ZHIQIANG, Intellectual Property Court, Chongqing Intermediate People's Court; PROFESSOR ZHANG YUMIN, Southwest University of Political Science & Law; ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR YI JIANXIONG, Southwest University of Political Science & Law; JENNIE WU, Beijing Intellectual Property Institute

## CHINA IP: NOW!

*Annual symposium on China's intellectual property law, innovation, and policy*

become the IP choke point where lawyers will increasingly find an equal playing field with faster, less expensive, and more certain remedies.

Shore described a recent trend where patent litigators avoid the U.S. courts and instead choose China.

Throughout his speech, Shore emphasized that to understand intellectual property in China, one must understand the country as a whole. The underlying policy driving its IP practice is the promotion of a more stable China. And, as Shore noted, a more stable China is in everyone's best interest, so that the Chinese people can gain the benefits of the modern world in a more prosperous way.

"China is not China for the United States," Shore stressed. "China is China for the 1.4 billion people who want prosperity for the world."

Instead of imposing our American IP practice, Shore advised the audience to "set our Western notions aside," and adopt a greater respect for Chinese policy and culture to help clients adapt to the rapidly changing dynamics in China's intellectual property law.

For the students and young attorneys in the audience, Shore advised, "All of you who are planning on being patent litigators in 10

years, I recommend you learn Mandarin!"

The panel on "China Patent Re-Examination" compared and contrasted varying aspects of patent re-examination, such as the differences between re-examination and invalidation, the length of a Chinese invalidation proceeding, and differences in the appeals process.

The symposium featured two additional panels, as well. The "Chinese Intellectual Property Judges Panel" included the Honorable Judge Cheng Yongshun, Intellectual Property Court, the Supreme People's Court of China; the Honorable Judge Yu Zhiqiang, Intellectual Property Court, Chongqing Intermediate People's Court; Professor Zhang Yumin, Southwest University of Political Science & Law; Associate Professor Yi Jianxiong, Southwest University of Political Science & Law; and Jennie Wu, Beijing Intellectual Property Institute. The panel was moderated by Zunxuan "Digger" Chen, Locke Lord LLP.

The final panel, "China's Global Business Perspectives and IP," featured Zhang Zhijun, Manager of U.S. Affairs of SINOPEC Legal Department; Dr. Henry Haojin Wang, Patents Program Manager at Renesas Mobile Europe; and Sheana Chen, Senior Counsel at Texas Instruments Incorporated. The panel was moderated by Wei Wei Jeang, Andrews Kurth LLP. ■





# CALLEJO ROUNDTABLE

## *Ralph de la Vega*

Presented by:



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**R**alph de la Vega fled Cuba for the United States 50 years ago. He knew no one in his new country. He had left his family behind. He didn't speak the language, and he didn't have a dime to his name.

Oh, and he was only 10 years old.

Today, Mr. de la Vega is the chief executive officer of AT&T Mobility and Consumer Markets, a division of the Dallas-based communications giant that serves more than 100 million mobile customers and has \$50 billion in revenues.

In October 2011, Mr. de la Vega was the distinguished guest speaker at the Callejo Roundtable, a lecture series charged with the mission of training leaders in an increasingly diverse society. The lecture series is named after Adelfa Botello Callejo,

who was the first Hispanic woman to receive a law degree from SMU Dedman School of Law in 1961. AT&T sponsors the programs.

The lecture series, according to Ms. Callejo, is designed "to talk about the challenges facing Latinos and how we raise leaders to address these issues.

"Now is the time to bring a new urgency to this conversation," she said. "We must remind ourselves that the western hemisphere is predominantly Hispanic."

Ms. Callejo said that Mr. de la Vega was an ideal speaker because of his life story.

Born in Cuba, Mr. de la Vega was only seven years old when the revolution of 1959 took place. Changes occurred quickly and hit his family hard.

"My family lived in a state of constant uncertainty," he said. "The freedom we knew was gone and replaced with intimidation and confiscation of property."

In July 1962, Mr. de la Vega's parents made the difficult decision to flee Cuba for the U.S., which he called "the beacon of hope."

"My parents made the decision to leave everything we had – leave our home and all of our possessions – to go to a foreign country where we had no relatives and didn't speak their language," he said. "We left for freedom and the hope of opportunity."

An even more difficult decision awaited the de la Vega family at the Havana Airport.

"My family was getting ready to leave – my mom, dad, and sister, Barbara – and we got to the airport," he said. "The man at the airport looked at our exit papers and said words that changed our lives forever.

"Five little words: Only the boy can go."

Mr. de la Vega's father made some quick phone calls to an immigrant family already in the U.S. who agreed to take care of 10-year-old Ralph. He wouldn't see his family again for four years.

"It was an unimaginable situation for my parents," he said. "I found myself in a new country, with a new family and a new language, and no money. I didn't even like the food.

"I'm asked all the time about how difficult it was to merge Cingular Wireless and AT&T Wireless in the largest all-cash merger in the U.S. at that time – \$41 billion," said Mr. de la Vega. "I tell them hard was leaving your home, leaving your country, leaving your family. Merging companies is easy."

Mr. de la Vega said that his high school counselor recommended that he become an auto mechanic. He stopped taking regular classes to focus on being a mechanic.

"Until my grandmother, who had been a teacher and a poet, arrived from Cuba," he said. "My grandmother told me, 'What



ADELFA CALLEJO '61, *Callejo & Callejo*; BILL CALLEJO '66, *Callejo & Callejo*; JOHN B. ATTANASIO, Dean, SMU Dedman School of Law



RALPH DE LA VEGA, Chief Executive Officer, AT&T Mobility and Consumer Markets; WAYNE WATTS '80, Senior Executive Vice President and General Counsel, AT&T

you're doing doesn't make any sense.' She said, 'Don't let other people limit your dreams. Be an engineer.'"

"I'm very proud to be an American. It is a great country where so many immigrants have been able to realize their dreams and make this the greatest country on earth," said Mr. de la Vega. "Yet, the American dream is becoming harder and harder to reach for a large segment of the population."

Mr. de la Vega pointed out that only 44% of young Hispanics in the U.S. have a high school diploma and a mere 12% are college graduates. The result, he said, is the 20% unemployment rate among Latino youths.

Mr. de la Vega told those attending the lecture that he has focused on three areas to help address the problem: education, entrepreneurship, and engagement.

He is extensively involved in non-profit and community organizations. He serves as the chairman of Junior Achievement Worldwide and as the chairman of Hispanic initiatives for the Boy Scouts of America, and he was inducted into the Hispanic Scholarship Fund's prestigious Alumni Hall of Fame, which honors select Hispanics for their personal achievements, contributions, and service to America.

Mr. de la Vega is also the author of the book *Obstacles Welcome: Turn Adversity into Advantage in Business and Life* (Thomas Nelson, 2009).

"Most young people are taught to get jobs," he said. "But what if we could teach children to create jobs? People become engaged because they believe in something and they are willing to break through any barriers and any prejudices to achieve it."

Mr. de la Vega said that SMU Dedman Law School is to be commended for its vision to host the Callejo Roundtable.

**"The man at the airport looked at our exit papers and said words that changed our lives forever. Five little words: *Only the boy can go.*"**

"Adelfa opened the door for many of us," he said. "I am very thankful that she built a bridge for me and others to follow."

Adelfa Callejo was only five years old when she decided she wanted to be a lawyer and a leader. The daughter of a migrant worker, Callejo attended SMU Dedman School of Law's night program while working during the day as a secretary.

During her 45 years as a lawyer in Dallas, she has been a consistent leader fighting for the rights of Hispanics and the underprivileged. She and her husband, Bill Callejo, who is a 1966 SMU Dedman Law alum, are partners in the firm Callejo & Callejo.

Callejo pointed out that Hispanics are the fastest growing segment of the U.S. population. Latinos comprise 38% of the Texas population and 48% of those who are 18 years old and younger. Seventy-six percent of the pre-kindergarten students in the Dallas Public School System are Hispanic, and experts predict that Hispanics will be in the majority in Texas by 2040.

"The Callejo Roundtable provides a forum where we can bring together leaders and citizens who are interested in discussing important issues that impact Hispanics on the local, state, national, and international levels," said SMU Dedman School of Law Dean John Attanasio. "Dedicated leaders like Ralph de la Vega provide a powerful example of the possibilities that exist for those who work hard and sacrifice to follow their dreams. We are grateful to Ralph for sharing his inspiring story and his lessons learned." ■



## “IMAGES OF JUSTICE”:

*Authors discuss how certain images have contributed to the invention of democratic courts*

Judith Resnik, the Arthur Liman Professor of Law at Yale Law School, knows a thing or two about icons and pictures. In 2010, she played herself in a cameo role alongside two icons of the silver screen in the major motion picture *Fair Game*, starring Naomi Watts and Sean Penn. She also studies the iconographic pictures that cross cultural and generational lines to trigger notions of justice in the minds of practically all human beings. Her passion resulted in a book titled *Representing Justice: Invention, Controversy and Rights in City-States and Democratic Courtrooms* (Yale Press 2011), which Resnik co-authored with Professor Dennis Curtis, Clinical Professor Emeritus of Law at Yale Law School.

As part of the Roy Ray Lecture held by SMU Dedman School of Law on March 29, 2012, Professor Resnik shared her thoughts regarding how certain images contributed to the invention of democratic courts. Afterward, Professor Curtis joined in a Q&A with the audience in the crowded Hillcrest Classroom.

Resnik has noticed that for millennia, “rulers, whether democratic or

autocratic, have wrapped themselves in the accouterments of justice in efforts to legitimize their authority.” The Mesopotamians created line-drawings to depict the floating scales of justice over 4,000 years ago. Ma’at, the Egyptian goddess of truth and justice, would weigh the heart of the deceased against her ostrich feather to determine the dead’s fortunes in the afterlife. Christian theologians made justice one of four cardinal virtues, and Renaissance artists codified the lasting image of justice as a blindfolded woman holding scales.

According to Resnik, it is not merely happenstance that the image of justice has endured for centuries throughout various forms of adjudication. Even in autocratic societies, adjudication often occurred in public. As sovereignty shifted toward the people, there existed utility in putting judges on display for the public to audit. In the twentieth century, the modern conceptualization that the right to justice and fair processes applies to everyone took hold in the United States, and the architectural design of federal courthouses reflected this concept through the use of equally-sized iconic open arches.



**Judith Resnik**  
Arthur Liman Professor  
of Law, Yale Law School



**Dennis E. Curtis**  
Clinical Professor,  
Yale Law School

But the idea that our courts are open for everyone to exercise their rights has not come without problems. “Democracy changed adjudication, [and] it also challenged adjudication,” for notions of fair process say all who exercise their rights should be equipped with attorneys. In an age of budget shortfalls, however, courts have had to metaphorically close their doors by limiting services. There is hope, though, according to Resnik, as symbolized by the iconic image of a shabby corduroy coat framed in a Cook County courthouse. On her way to give a presentation, Resnik found this memorial to a lawyer who had made it his life’s work to provide free legal services, a fitting tribute to the noble idea of serving the public interest. ■

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#### Law School Alumni Reunions



## ARGUMENTS MOOTED AT SMU DEDMAN SCHOOL OF LAW

*SMU Dedman Law professors help prepare argument in Setser v. United States*

On October 27th, Dedman Law hosted a moot oral argument of *Setser v. United States*, in preparation for argument before the U.S. Supreme Court on November 30th. The Fifth Circuit appeal concerned whether a federal judge may impose a federal sentence of imprisonment to run consecutively with a yet-to-be-imposed state sentence.

The case arose after Mr. Setser pleaded guilty to a federal charge while on state probation. The district court sentenced Setser to a prison term to be served consecutively to an anticipated state sentence related to the probated charge. At the time of the argument, circuit courts had split four to four on this question which implicates both the criminal justice

system and the balance of federalism.

Joel Page of the Federal Public Defender's Office of the Northern District of Texas presented Setser's case to nine members of the Dallas legal community, including SMU Dedman School of Law Professors Armour, Bellin, Colangelo, Moss, and Tate. The panel mocked an active Supreme Court and peppered Page with questions for nearly an hour. At the conclusion of the event, a slightly exhausted Page said that several new questions had been raised and that the experience had been invaluable. The event was well attended by students who welcomed the opportunity to learn about an unsettled legal issue and witness an experienced advocate. ■



**Anthony J. Colangelo**  
Associate Professor  
of Law



**Maureen Armour**  
Co-Director of Civil  
Clinic and Associate  
Professor of Law



**Joshua C. Tate**  
Associate Professor  
of Law

## 46TH ANNUAL AIR LAW SYMPOSIUM

*Oldest and largest  
aviation legal conference  
in the world*

Captain Jeffrey Skiles, whose skillful maneuvering as first officer on U.S. Airways Flight 1549 helped save 155 lives during the crash that became known as the "Miracle on the Hudson," was one of the keynote speakers at SMU's 46th Annual Air Law Symposium on March 29-30. Skiles discussed "The Revolution in Cockpit Human Factors Engineering Behind the Most Celebrated Aviation Success Story of Our Time."

The second keynote speaker was Michael B. Mukasey, former Attorney General of the United States and former Chief Judge for the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York.

Many other notable speakers and panelists participated in the two-day symposium that offered continuing

education credit, networking opportunities, and discussion of a wide variety of aviation law topics, legal ethics, and recent developments in aviation law.

The world's oldest and largest annual aviation law symposium, presented by SMU Dedman School of Law's *Journal of Air Law and Commerce*, drew more than 450 registrants to the Omni Mandalay Hotel at Las Colinas in Irving, Texas, including nationally and internationally recognized aviation trial lawyers from both sides of the docket, United States government attorneys from the Department of Justice, Federal Aviation Administration, and branches of the armed forces, and executives from foreign and domestic insurance companies and major airlines.

Dedman School of Law students organize and conduct the symposium, and the school's *Journal of Air Law and Commerce* is the primary sponsor of the program. Many of the papers presented at the symposium are chosen for publication in the journal. ■



**THE HONORABLE MICHAEL B. MUKASEY**, Former U.S. Attorney General, and former Chief Judge for the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York



# FEDERAL RULES OF EVIDENCE

*Dedman Law hosts spring meeting of the Advisory Committee for the Federal Rules of Evidence*



On April 3, 2012, the Dedman School of Law proudly hosted the spring meeting of the Advisory Committee for the Federal Rules of Evidence, the deliberative body responsible for proposing and overseeing the implementation of the Federal Rules of Evidence. The Federal Rules of Evidence are influential well beyond the federal courts because most states, including Texas, model their evidence

rules on the federal rules. The Advisory Committee's diverse composition of judges, practitioners, and evidence scholars contributed to a rich debate and fruitful dialogue concerning possible amendments to the hearsay rules and the impact of emerging Confrontation Clause jurisprudence on the Federal Rules of Evidence.

During its deliberations, the Committee discussed a recent article written by SMU

Law Professor Jeff Bellin that highlights the interplay between increasingly ubiquitous electronic communication and the evidence rules. The Committee considered the article, which was published this year in the *University of Pennsylvania Law Review*, as part of its mission to evaluate the ongoing need for changes to the evidence rules – something Professor Bellin argues is warranted in this context.

"It is always exciting to hear that the people who actually shape the evidence rules are interested in the work you are doing," said Professor Bellin, after the meeting.

The Committee will continue its discussions of the need for amendments to the rules at its next meeting. The Advisory Committee is chaired by Chief Judge Sidney A. Fitzwater of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas, and its Reporter is Dan Capra, the Reed Professor of Law at Fordham University School of Law. ■

## 2011-2012 DEDMAN LAW IN THE COMMUNITY



### COMMUNITIES FOUNDATION OF TEXAS

Communities Foundation of Texas hosted its annual professional seminar series at SMU Dedman School of Law on May 8, 2012. Jonathan Ackerman, CEO of the Law Office of Jonathan Ackerman LLC in Owings Mills, MD., keynoted the

event. The topic of discussion was "2012 Trends and Implications in Estate and Charitable Planning." From left: Jonathan Ackerman, Speaker; John B. Attanasio, Dean, SMU Dedman School of Law; Richard Joyner, Tolleson Wealth Management; and Brent Christopher, President and CEO of Communities Foundation of Texas. ■



### HISPANIC NATIONAL BAR ASSOCIATION

In September 2012, SMU Dedman School of Law was proud to host the annual meeting of the National Hispanic Bar Association, organized by the Dallas Hispanic Bar Association. ■

# SMU DEDMAN SUPPORTS ABA SILVER GAVEL

*Educating the Public About American Constitutional and Legal Systems*



WASHINGTON, D.C. (July 26) – Holding back tears and nearly trembling from fear, the young witness slowly told her story.

“Our next door neighbor came. My father-in-law practically raised him. He came to the door and kicked the door in. He gathered all of us into the kitchen and then he took a knife and cut off my clothes. He raped me and beat me in front of my father-in-law and mother-in-law. When he finished molesting me, he loaded a bullet in the chamber of his gun and shot my father-in-law, killing him instantly. Then he killed my mother-in-law. He had a gun in one hand and he was holding me by the hair in the other. He turned around to shoot at my sister-in-law. I gathered my courage. I suppose that’s what God wanted. I took advantage of his lack of attention, and, thank God, I struggled out of his grasp and escaped. I hid in a pumpkin patch that was 60 feet from the house. He couldn’t find me so he set fire to the house. I was 60 feet away and I saw everything.”

Identified only as “Witness 99,” the Muslim woman testified about the horrors she and others faced at the hands of Bosnian Serb men during the 1990s’ Balkan conflicts.

“Witness 99” and the war crimes trial was the subject of an extraordinary PBS documentary called *Women, War & Peace*, which was one of four recipients of the 2012 American Bar Association’s Silver Gavel Awards for Media and the Arts. The Silver Gavel Awards recognize journalists, writers, television and radio producers, and others whose work fosters a better understanding of the American legal system and the rule of law.

The SMU Dedman School of Law is the primary sponsor of the ABA Silver Gavel Awards ceremony and dinner.

“SMU Dedman Law School is proud to support the ABA Silver Gavel Awards,” says

Dean John Attanasio. “Part of our mission as a law school is to educate the public about the rule of law. This year’s recipients expertly use the written word, video, and technology to shine a bright light on our systems of justice, including the benefits and failures.

“We congratulate this year’s recipients for their extraordinary work and for their commitment to legal journalism,” says Attanasio.

In 2012, the ABA awarded four Silver Gavel Awards and seven honorable mentions. The four winners included:

**“The Death Penalty in America,”** by Andrew Cohen, a series of 10 columns published by *The Atlantic* website between March and December 2011 on the administration of the death penalty in the U.S. — ranging from the “big picture” commentary on the future of the death penalty to a focused discussion on the execution of a single inmate.

***Women, War & Peace: “I Came to Testify,”*** a five-part documentary series about courageous Bosnian women who survived mass rapes by Serb-led forces during the 1990s conflicts in the former Yugoslavia, including those who took the witness stand in an international court of law.

**“Imminent Danger,”** by Meg Kissinger, a two-part *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* series on how a 40-year old lawsuit led to the current national legal standard for mental health commitment, why that “imminent danger” standard makes it difficult to compel people to get care, and the consequences.

***The Color of Conscience: Human Rights in Idaho,*** an Idaho Public Television program about the nearly 20-year effort by human rights activists to use the legal system to break the power of the Aryan Nation’s white supremacist group.

Honorable-mention winners include:

***Convincing the Innocent: Where Criminal Prosecutions Go Wrong,***

a book by Brandon L. Garrett; *Habeas Corpus After 9/11: Confronting America’s New Global Detention System*, a book by Jonathan Hafetz; “Scenes of a Crime,” a documentary by New Box Productions; “Deadly Force: When Las Vegas Police Shoot, and Kill,” a five-part series by *The Las Vegas Review-Journal*; “Rising Violence in California’s Psychiatric Hospitals,” a National Public Radio series; *NewsChannel 5 Investigates: Policing for Profit*, a series by WTVF-TV in Nashville; and *Justia.com*, a website offering free legal information.

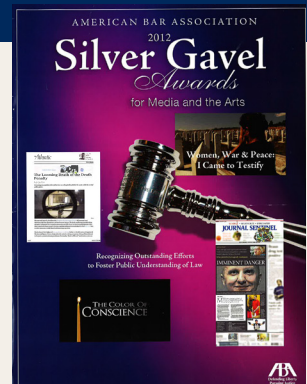
Then-ABA President Bill Robinson presided over the award ceremony conducted in July at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C.

“I would like to personally thank SMU Dedman Law School for its support of the Silver Gavel Awards,” Robinson told the 200 people who attended the program. “SMU and its dean, John Attanasio, have been huge supporters of the ABA, and we are so grateful.”

Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Clarence Page of the *Chicago Tribune* served as keynote speaker.

“I know a lot of lawyers who want to be writers and a lot of writers who have considered going to law school,” Page told the audience. “It is a great honor to be awarded a Silver Gavel.”

Previous Silver Gavel Award winners include two movie classics: *Twelve Angry Men* and *To Kill a Mockingbird*. The ABA has given Silver Gavel Awards since 1958. ■





# FACULTY ACCOMPLISHMENTS



## ELIZABETH G. THORNBURG

*Selected as Director of Center for Teaching Excellence at SMU*

The Center for Teaching Excellence at Southern Methodist University has selected Dedman Law School Professor Beth Thornburg to serve as its Director.

Professor Thornburg replaces Professor Ron Wetherington, who had been the Center's Director since it was founded in 1997. The mission of the Center is to be a catalyst for the growth of a university culture that values, supports, and rewards effective student-centered teaching.

The Center is best known for its Academy of Distinguished Teachers awards, which are given to four faculty members annually. This year, Dedman Law School Professor Tom Mayo was honored. The Center has a 14-member advisory board that includes professors Meghan Ryan and Linda Eads of the law school.

Professor Thornburg, who has taught at the law school since 1993, is a nationally-recognized expert on civil procedure and federal courts. She served as the law school's Associate Dean for Academic Affairs from 1996-98. She has received the Dr. Don M. Smart Teaching Award for

excellence in teaching.

A 1979 graduate of SMU Dedman Law, Professor Thornburg participated in a Common Law Countries Project on Teaching Civil Procedure. She has been a visiting professor at the University of Melbourne, West Virginia University College of Law, College of William & Mary School of Law, and the University of Edinburgh Faculty of Law.

Drawing on her experience with civil rights and commercial litigation, Professor Thornburg's scholarship focuses on the procedural fairness of the litigation process, especially at the pleadings, discovery, and jury charge stages. She also writes and speaks in the areas of comparative procedure, online dispute resolution, and the intersection of law and culture.

On the personal side, Professor Thornburg loves reading murder mysteries and traveling, and celebrates the day that dark chocolate was recognized as a health food.

## THOMAS WM. MAYO

*Receives 2012 Altshuler Distinguished Teaching Professor Award*

Southern Methodist University's Center for Teaching Excellence awarded Dedman Law School Professor Tom Mayo the 2012 Altshuler Distinguished Teaching Professor Award.

The Altshuler Award is given annually to four faculty members at the university as a means of honoring their commitment to and achievements in fostering student learning. The Center looks at student evaluations, syllabi, and the teacher's general contributions to higher education, which often go beyond classroom boundaries and the teacher's own disciplines.

Mayo, who joined the Dedman faculty

in 1984, says he is "very gratified" to receive the award. Law school professors Christopher Hannah and Ellen Pryor are prior recipients of the honor.

"What I bring to the classroom is enthusiasm for the subject and the practice of law," he says. "Students appreciate and respond to enthusiasm."

Mayo's teaching and research has focused primarily in the fields of healthcare law, bioethics, and torts. His favorite class to teach is Law, Literature, and Medicine.

"I would teach this class for free," he



says. "I use novels, poems, and short stories to discuss the big issues of the day. I've had students tell me it was the most relevant course they took in law school."

A 1977 graduate of Syracuse University College of Law, Mayo served as a law clerk to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. He was a lawyer with Covington & Burling, where he practiced in the areas of antitrust, securities fraud, election law, and communications. Mayo is also an Adjunct Associate Professor of Internal Medicine at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School and is the immediate-past Director of SMU's Cary M. Maguire Center for Ethics and Public Responsibility. ■

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# FACULTY FORUM SERIES

SMU Dedman School of Law's annual series of presentations through the Faculty Forum provides an opportunity for new ideas to be explored through informal discussion between the presenter and SMU Faculty.

Scholars and law professors from around the country and world including Boston College, Oxford University, and University of Ghent participated in this year's Faculty Forum Series. Discussions centered on topics such as policing of school discipline, judicial use of overseas authority, and spatial legality.



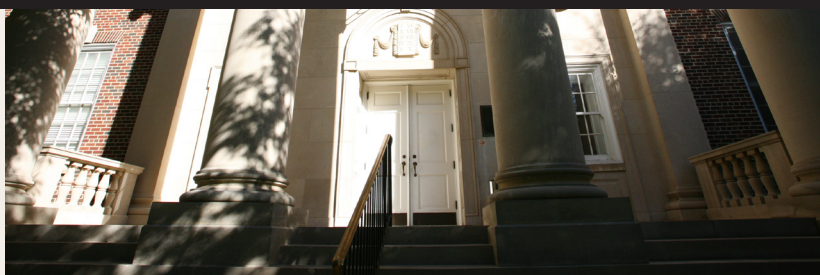
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**Beth Thornburg**

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**Jeffrey Gaba**

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**Jessica Dixon Weaver**

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**Douglas Berman**

Robert J. Watkins/Procter  
& Gamble Professor of Law  
Ohio State University,  
Moritz College of Law



**Catherine Y. Kim**

Assistant Professor of Law,  
University of North  
Carolina School of Law



**Jeff Bellin**

Assistant Professor  
of Law, SMU Dedman  
School of Law



# VISITING FACULTY



## THE HONORABLE ADEL OMAR SHERIF

*Deputy Chief Justice,  
Supreme Constitutional  
Court of Egypt; Charles J.  
and Inez Wright Murray  
Distinguished Visiting  
Professor of Law*

Dr. Adel Omar Sherif has been the Deputy Chief Justice of the Supreme Constitutional Court of Egypt since December 2002. He earned his LL.B. (1979), Advanced Studies Diploma in Public Law (1980), Advanced Studies Diploma in Administrative Law (1981),

and Ph.D. in Constitutional Law (1988) from Cairo and Am Shams Universities in Egypt. After working in private practice for a short period of time, he was appointed to the Egyptian judiciary, commencing his judicial career at the Council of the State, where he served in various judicial positions between 1980 and 1992. In 1992, Justice Sherif moved to the Supreme Constitutional Court, Egypt's Supreme Court, as Assistant Counselor for the Commissioners' Body. He was promoted to full Counselor in 1993 and was assigned Acting Head of the Commissioners' Body that same year. Justice Sherif was a Visiting Fellow at the International Human Rights Law Centre of the College of Law, DePaul University, in Chicago in 1992; the Human Rights Centre of the University of Essex from 1993-94; and the Federal Judicial Center in Washington, D.C. in 1996; and was a Visiting Professor at the Faculty of Law, McGill University from 1998-99. He often represents the Egyptian judicial community in international conferences and seminars and has already received many honors

and awards at the international level. Justice Sherif is a member of the International Board of Judicial Advisers for the Judges Newsletter of The Hague Conference on Private International Law and a member of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights' Judicial Reference Group. Further, he has recently been appointed as a Vice-President of the International Judicial Academy in Washington, D.C.

In 2005, the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan awarded Justice Sherif the Medal of the Constitution of Kazakhstan. In addition, in 2007, the Ateneo de Davao University in the Philippines conferred upon Justice Sherif an honorary doctorate degree in laws.

He has written and published widely on various legal topics including human rights, constitutional issues, Islamic law, criminal law, and environmental law.

Justice Sherif taught Comparative Law II: Islamic Law in Fall 2011 and Spring 2012.



## THE HONORABLE ADEL OMAR SHERIF INTERVIEWS JUSTICE RUTH BADER GINSBURG

On January 30th, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg of the Supreme Court of the United States was interviewed by The Honorable Adel Omar Sherif, Deputy Chief Justice of the Supreme Constitutional Court of Egypt and a Distinguished Visiting Professor at SMU Dedman School of Law. The topic for discussion was "Women and the Constitution." The seminar was held at Cairo University in collaboration with the U.S. Embassy.

## DON BUSH

*Magistrate Judge – United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas*



The Honorable Don Bush was appointed United States Magistrate Judge for the Eastern District of Texas in 2003. Judge Bush earned

his B.A. at Indiana University in 1968 and his J.D. and LL.M. degrees from SMU Dedman School of Law in 1976 and 1986, respectively. He was briefing attorney for the Honorable Price Daniel, Sr., of the Texas Supreme Court, from 1976–77. Board certified in Civil Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization, he was in private practice from 1977 to 2003. Judge Bush has authored numerous law review articles including: *Rule 169: An Overview*, 44 TEXAS BAR JOURNAL 1049 (1981); *Piercing the Homestead: The Trial of an Excess Value Case*, 34 BAYLOR LAW REVIEW 387 (1982); *Limitation on Voire Dire in Civil Cases*, 45 TEXAS BAR JOURNAL 1043 (1982); *Anatomy of a Trial of a Warranty Case*, 15 ST. MARY'S LAW JOURNAL 57 (1983); *Common Objections to the Form of Questions*, 47 TEXAS BAR JOURNAL 8 (1984); *Hearsay Under Texas Rules of Evidence*, 37 BAYLOR LAW REVIEW 945 (1985); and *Annual Survey: Conflict of Laws*, 41 SOUTHWEST LAW JOURNAL 383 (1988).

Judge Bush taught Trial Advocacy in Fall 2011.

## RUDOLF DOLZER

*Director of the Institute for International Law, University of Bonn in Bonn, Germany*



Rudolf Dolzer is a Distinguished Visiting Professor & Director of the Institute for International Law at the University of Bonn in Bonn,

Germany. Dolzer received his J.D. from the University of Heidelberg and his LL.M. from Harvard, where he also acquired an additional J.D. Before joining the faculty of the University of Bonn, Dolzer was a Professor of Law at the University of Heidelberg and at the University of Mannheim, where he served two years as Vice Rector. He spent six years as a member of the German Parliament, and he was Director General at the Office of the Federal Chancellor. He taught International Commercial Arbitration and Foreign Investment.

Professor Dolzer taught Foreign Investment: Rules of International Law and International Commercial Arbitration in Spring 2012.

## DR. DAVID ELKINS

*Senior Lecturer and Distinguished Teaching Fellow, Netanya College School of Law, Israel*



Dr. David Elkins is a Senior Lecturer and Distinguished Teaching Fellow at the Netanya College School of Law in Israel. He is the author of *Taxation of Intellectual Property: Patents, Copyright,*

*Goodwill and Know-How and Taxation of Corporations and Their Shareholders.* He also has published numerous articles in leading Israeli and American law reviews and professional journals, on subjects ranging from tax accounting and corporate taxation to concepts of distributive justice and horizontal equity. Before his academic appointment, Dr. Elkins served as Senior Assessor and as Senior Assistant to the Legal Advisor for the Israeli Tax Authority. He received his LL.B. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and his LL.M., as well as his Ph.D., from the University of Bar Ilan.

Dr. Elkins taught Corporate Tax and Income Taxation in Fall 2011.

## ROBERT M. FILLMORE

*Justice – Texas Fifth District Court of Appeals*



The Honorable Robert M. Fillmore was appointed Justice of the Texas Fifth District Court of Appeals in May 2009.

He received

his undergraduate and J.D. degrees from the University of Kansas. Prior to his appointment to the Court, Justice Fillmore was in private practice in the Dallas office of Hunton & Williams LLP, and its predecessor, Worsham, Forsythe & Wooldridge LLP, focusing on energy regulatory litigation. Earlier in his career, he served as Assistant Attorney General and Special Assistant Attorney General of Kansas. He also has served as an adjunct professor at the University of Kansas School of Law. Justice Fillmore has been elected Fellow of the American Bar Foundation, the Texas Bar Foundation, and the Dallas Bar Foundation and has served as Chairman of the Public Utility Law Section of the State Bar of Texas.

He taught Regulated Industries in Fall 2011.



**ALLEN JOE FISH**

*Senior District Judge –  
United States District  
Court for the Northern  
District of Texas*



Allen Joe Fish is a Senior United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas in Dallas, Texas. Born in Los

Angeles, California, Judge Fish received his B.A. from Yale College in 1965 and his LL.B from Yale Law School in 1968. He was a Sergeant in the United States Army Reserve from 1968 to 1974, and was in private practice in Dallas, Texas, from 1968 to 1980. In 1980, he was elected to the 95th Judicial District Court of Dallas County, Texas. From 1981 to 1983, he was a judge on the Fifth District of the Texas Court of Appeals in Dallas. On January 31, 1983, Judge Fish was nominated by President Ronald Reagan to a seat on the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas vacated by Patrick E. Higginbotham. Judge Fish was confirmed by the United States Senate less than a month later, on February 23, 1983, and received his commission the following day. He served as chief judge of the district from 2002 to 2007, assuming senior status on November 12, 2007.

Judge Fish taught a Federal Judicial Externship course in Fall 2011 and Spring 2012.

**H. DEWAYNE  
“COOTER” HALE**

*United States Bankruptcy  
Judge for the Northern  
District of Texas*



The Honorable H. DeWayne “Cooter” Hale was appointed to the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern

District of Texas in November 2002. He received his undergraduate and J.D. degrees from LSU, where he was a member of the Order of the Coif and an editor of the Law Review. He worked at Strasburger & Price before opening a boutique firm, where he became well-versed in bankruptcy law. Two years before his judicial appointment, Judge Hale was a regional partner in charge of the bankruptcy practice at Baker & McKenzie in Dallas. He is a member of the Texas Bar Association, the Louisiana State Bar Association, the American Bar Association, the Dallas Bar Association, the Dallas Bankruptcy Bar Association, and the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges.

Judge Hale taught Creditors’ Rights in Spring 2012.

**MATTHIAS HERDEGEN**

*Director, Institute  
of International Law and  
Institute for Public Law*



Professor Matthias Herdegen was born in 1957 and went on to study law at the University of Heidelberg and the

University of Cambridge (Clare College). He clerked at various judicial institutions, including the Federal Constitutional Court, and graduated *summa cum laude* from the University of Heidelberg in 1983.

In 1985, he was appointed as a research fellow at the Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law in Heidelberg. His areas of research included international arbitration, and British and French law. He then began teaching courses on German and public law, public international law, and European law at the University of Heidelberg, where he was awarded the Maier-Leibnitz prize for his work in constitutional law. The Federal Minister for Science awarded him the prize. Since 1995, Professor Herdegen has been a law professor and Director of the Institute of International Law and Institute for Public Law.

He taught International Regulation of Biotechnology in Fall 2011.

## PATRICK E. HIGGINBOTHAM

*Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit*



Judge Higginbotham was born in McCalla, Alabama and served in the United States Air Force JAG Corps and practiced

law in Dallas before being appointed to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas by President Gerald Ford in 1975. When appointed, he was the youngest sitting federal judge. In 1982, President Ronald Reagan appointed him to the Fifth Circuit.

For many years, Judge Higginbotham was a faculty member at the Federal Judicial Center and, as an appointee of Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist, the chairman of the Advisory Committee on Civil Rules. He served as president of the American Inns of Court Foundation, and in 1996 the Dallas chapter of that organization renamed itself after him. He has been a leading proponent and former chairman of The Center for American and International Law, a Dallas-based organization which aims to train foreign and domestic lawyers and police officers, a Fellow of the American Bar Association, chairman of its Appellate Judges Conference, member of the Board of Editors of the *ABA Journal*, and advisor to the National Center for State Courts on its study of *habeas corpus*. He is also a lifetime member of the American Law Institute and a member of the Board of Overseers, Institute of Civil Justice, RAND Corporation.

Judge Higginbotham has published a number of articles in law reviews and newspapers. He is also a frequent speaker on various legal topics, particularly the death penalty and the decline of jury trials.

Judge Higginbotham taught Constitutional Law II in Fall 2011 and Spring 2012.

## BOE W. MARTIN

*Of Counsel, Bell Nunnally & Martin LLP*



Boe W. Martin is a partner at Bell, Nunnally & Martin LLP. His areas of expertise include Bankruptcy and

Reorganization, Creditors' Rights, Real Estate, and Real Estate Finance. He has extensive experience in representing debtors and creditors in Chapter 11 and other insolvency proceedings. In 2005 and 2006, Professor Martin was selected by *Texas Monthly* as a "Texas Super Lawyer." He received his B.A. from Texas A&M University in 1962, his LL.B. from University of Texas in 1964, and his LL.M. from George Washington University in 1970. Professor Martin has taught Real Estate Transactions at the University of Texas School of Law and at the University of Houston Law Center. He began teaching as an adjunct professor at SMU Dedman School of Law in 1972. He has taught Payment Systems, Real Estate Development Law, Secured Transactions, Property, and Torts at the law school.

Professor Martin taught Secured Transactions in Fall 2011.

## RUSSELL F. NELMS

*United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Texas, Fort Worth Division*



Judge Nelms is a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Texas, Fort Worth Division.

Before taking the bench, Judge Nelms was a partner with the Dallas firm of Carrington, Coleman, Sloman & Blumenthal, where he served as a litigator in the firm's bankruptcy section. Judge Nelms joined Carrington Coleman after serving for six years in the United States Army Judge Advocate General's Corps. Judge Nelms received a J.D. with high honors from Texas Tech University School of Law in 1978 and a B.A. with high honors from Texas Tech University in 1975.

Judge Nelms is a frequent speaker at functions sponsored by the State Bar of Texas, the University of Texas School of Law, Texas Tech University School of Law, John C. Ford American Inn of Court, and the Dallas and Tarrant County Bar Associations.

Judge Nelms taught a new course in Spring 2012 called Texas Ranger Bankruptcy.



**AMIHAI RADZYNER**

*Senior Law Lecturer,  
Bar-Ilan University in Israel*



Amihai Radzyner is a Senior Law Lecturer at Bar-Ilan University in Israel. His areas of research interest

include Talmudic Law, History of Jewish Law Research, Israeli Legal History, Rabbinical Courts, and Jewish Family Law.

Radzyner is also the Chief Editor of the *HaDin veHadayn (The Law and its Decisor): Rabbinical Court Decisions in Family Matters*, a position he has held since 2003. From 2005-2006 he was a visiting scholar at the Institute for Research in Jewish Law at The Hebrew University of Jerusalem. From 1999-2006, he worked as a researcher for The Israel Democracy Institute on the State and Religion Project.

Radzyner has received numerous academic awards and authored one book, *Dine Qenasot': A Research in Talmudic Law*. He has also written several articles and book chapters, published in Israel and the United States.

Radzyner taught Introduction to Jewish Law in Spring 2012.

**RICHARD A. SCHELL '75**

*United States District  
Judge for the Eastern  
District of Texas*



A native Texan, Judge Richard A. Schell graduated from SMU with his bachelor's degree in 1972 and his

J.D. degree in 1975. He was appointed by President Ronald Reagan in June 1988 as a United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Texas. Judge Schell taught Research Methods/Legal Writing to first year students at the SMU School of Law from 1975 to 1976. He then became an assistant district attorney for Collin County, Texas. After serving as an assistant district attorney, he spent five years in private practice until 1982, when he was appointed and then elected as a County Court at Law Judge for Collin County. In 1986, he was elected as a State District Judge for the 219th Judicial District Court in Collin County and remained in that position until his appointment to the federal bench in 1988. Judge Schell served as Chief Judge of the U. S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas from 1994 until 2001. He has also served on the U. S. Judicial Conference Advisory Committee on Bankruptcy Rules and on the board of the Federal Judges Association.

Judge Schell taught Civil Litigation: Critical Issues and Policies in Civil Procedure in Fall 2011.

**SHEN SHIAO-MING '81**

*International Legal  
Consultant to Mackenzie  
and Albritton LLP*



Shen Shiao-Ming serves as an international legal consultant to Mackenzie and Albritton LLP and has worked in

similar capacities for other law offices in San Francisco, New York, and Hong Kong. She has been a visiting professor at SMU Dedman School of Law since 1998. She received her S.J.D. from Berkeley, her LL.M. from Harvard, her M.C.L. from SMU Dedman School of Law, and her Graduate Degree in Civil Law from the Law Institute of the Chinese Academy of Social Science. Shiao-Ming's undergraduate legal accomplishments include a B.A. from the Peking Institute of Political Science and Law and a Certificate of International Legal Studies from Columbia. She has taught and lectured at universities in Texas, Virginia, California, New York, Beijing, and Hong Kong.

Professor Shen taught Comparative Law II: Doing Business in China in Spring 2012.

## **T.S. SOMASHEKAR**

*Assistant Professor,  
National Law School of India  
University, Bangalore*



Professor Somashekar earned a Ph.D. in Economics at the Institute for Social and Economic Change (2010). He started his teaching career

at St. Joseph's College, Bangalore, and joined NLSIU as regular faculty in March 2002.

His areas of interest and research include Law and Economics, Industrial Organization, Business Strategy, Public Policy Analysis, and the World Trade Organization. He was an Erasmus Mundus Fellow in the Institute for Law and Economics at the University of Hamburg, Germany in 2006. In 2008, he served as an advisor to the Ministry of Commerce and Industries, Government of Karnataka, to help formulate industrial policy. He is a member of the advisory board for the European Doctorate in Law and Economics (EDLE).

In 2009, Professor Somashekar was selected for the U.S. International Visitors Leadership Program (IVLP) to study U.S. Trade Policy. He has published articles on Mutual Fund and Insurance Regulation.

He taught International Law and Development in Spring 2012.

## **LINDA THOMAS '73**

*Chief Justice – Fifth District  
Court of Appeals (Ret.)*



The Honorable Linda Thomas is the former Chief Justice of the Fifth District Court of Appeals, the State's largest intermediate

appellate court. Chief Justice Thomas received her B.A. from the University of Texas at Arlington and her J.D. from SMU Dedman School of Law. She served eight years as a family court judge and has been on the appellate court since 1987. Chief Justice Thomas is Board Certified in Family Law and has been awarded the prestigious Sam Emison Award by the Texas Academy of Family Law Specialists for meritorious contributions to family law. Chief Justice Thomas is a nationally recognized leader in legal and judicial education.

Chief Justice Linda Thomas taught Family Law in Spring 2012.

## **NORMAN VEASEY**

*Former Chief Justice of the  
Delaware Supreme Court*



Chief Justice Norman Veasey of the Delaware Supreme Court received his A.B. from Dartmouth College in

1954 and his J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania in 1957. Having stepped down from judicial office in May 2004, after serving a twelve-year term as the top judicial officer and administrator of Delaware's judicial branch, he is currently practicing as a senior partner at Weil, Gotshal & Manges.

Before taking the bench in 1992, Chief Justice Veasey practiced law in Wilmington, Delaware with the law firm of Richards, Layton and Finger. From 1961 to 1963, he served as deputy attorney general and chief deputy attorney for the State of Delaware. During 1982 to 1983, he was president of the Delaware State Bar Association. He is a director of the Institute of Law and Economics at the University of Pennsylvania and is a member of the American Law Institute, the International Advisory Board of the Centre for Corporate Law and Securities Regulation, and a number of other professional organizations. He is an adjunct professor at the University of Virginia School of Law and Wake Forest University School of Law and speaks frequently on corporation law, corporate governance, ethics, and professionalism.

Justice Veasey taught Lawyering and Ethics for the Business Attorney in the Fall of 2011.



# FACULTY SCHOLARSHIP



## ROY ANDERSON

*Vinson & Elkins Distinguished Teaching Fellow and Professor of Law*

### PUBLICATIONS

2011 Annual Supplement to DAMAGES UNDER THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE (2 vols.) (Thomson/West) (2d ed. 2003)

2011 Annual Supplement to ANDERSON, BARTLETT & EAST'S, TEXAS UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE ANNOTATED (Thomson West 2009)



## MAUREEN ARMOUR

*Co-Director of Civil Clinic and Associate Professor of Law*

### PRESENTATIONS

Panelist, judges panel for a moot of an attorney from the Office of the Federal Public Defender, Northern District of Texas preparing for oral argument before the U.S. Supreme Court, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (October 2011))



## JOHN ATTANASIO

*Judge James Noel Dean and Professor of Law & Judge William Hawley Atwell Chair of Constitutional Law*

### PUBLICATIONS

UNDERSTANDING CONSTITUTIONAL LAW (LexisNexis, Fourth Edition, 2012) (with J. Goldstein) (2012 Annual Supplement forthcoming)

2011 & 2012 Annual Supplements to CONSTITUTIONAL LAW (LexisNexis, Fifth Edition 2008) (with N. Redlich & J. Goldstein)

2011 Annual Supplement to UNDERSTANDING CONSTITUTIONAL LAW (LexisNexis, Third Edition 2004) (with N. Redlich & J. Goldstein) (2012 forthcoming)

*Tribute to Henry J. Lischer, Jr., 64 SMU LAW REVIEW 637 (2011)*

### PRESENTATIONS

Panelist, discussion on the U.S. Economy, on the "Today" show on China Radio International (June 2012)

Gave opening remarks and a presentation about SMU Dedman School of Law, at "Growing Dallas, Strengthening our Economy," co-sponsored by Dallas Convention & Visitor's Bureau, Dallas Chamber of Commerce, and the *Dallas Business Journal* (Dallas, TX (May 2012))

Presented "Five Themes of American Constitutional Law," to the 2012 Academy Class of American and International Law of the Center for American International Law (Plano, TX (May 2012))

Organized and served as Host, Moderator, and Discussant for a Rule of Law Forum delegation from Saudi Arabia led by the Minister of Justice (Washington, D.C., New York, NY, Dallas, TX (January 2012))

Presented a six-hour technical workshop/discussion at the Vietnamese Ministry of Justice on the "Theoretical and Practical Issues in Developing and Amending the Constitution" (Hanoi, Vietnam (December 2011))

Presented a six-hour public workshop on the "U.S. Experience in Developing and Amending the Constitution" at the Vietnamese Ministry of Justice (Hanoi, Vietnam (December 2011))

Moderator, "The Supreme Court – Current Term Preview" at the Appellate Judicial Education Institute Annual Summit. Two former U.S. Solicitors General were the panelists. Was also a member of the planning committee for the threeday summit (Washington, D.C. (November 2011))

Panelist, discussion on the "U.S. China Currency War," on the "Today" show on China Radio International (October 2011)

Interviewed Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg for the Dedman School of Law's inaugural Louise B. Raggio Lecture, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (August 2011))

"The Five Themes of American Constitutional Law" to 650 judges at the Supreme Court of Thailand (Bangkok, Thailand (August 2011))

Interviewed on the constitutional transition in Egypt and other current events on Egyptian television (Cairo, Egypt (June 2011))

Panelist, discussion on the "U.S. Debt Ceiling," on the "Today" show on China Radio International (June 2011)



## LACKLAND BLOOM

*Professor of Law*

### PRESENTATIONS

"Constitutional Interpretation by the Supreme Court," Wisconsin Appellate Courts Seminar, Wisconsin Supreme Court (Madison, WI (March 2012))

"Textualism and Original Understanding – *District of Columbia v. Heller*," Wisconsin Appellate Courts Seminar, Wisconsin Supreme Court (Madison, WI (March 2012))

"Precedent, Principle and Doctrine I – *Citizens United v. FEC*," Wisconsin Appellate Courts Seminar, Wisconsin Supreme Court (Madison, WI (March 2012))

"Precedent, Principle and Doctrine II – The Health Insurance Mandate Litigation," Wisconsin Appellate Courts Seminar, Wisconsin Supreme Court (Madison, WI (March 2012))

"From Steamboats to Health Insurance," Parents and Faculty of the Cambridge School of Dallas (Dallas, TX (February 2012))

"The Constitutionality of the Health Care Insurance Mandate," Turtle Creek Club (Dallas, TX (July 2011))

Discussed *Marbury v. Madison*, *McCullough v. Maryland*, *Gibbons v. Ogden* and *Scott v. Sandford* for a DVD being sponsored by the Texas State Bar for Middle School students (June 2011)

"Freedom of Speech and Security Breaches," Trade Association of High Tech Companies (June 2011)

Moderator, Federalist Society, Dallas Lawyers Chapter Panel of State Appellate Judges (Dallas, TX (April 2011))

"Constitutional Conventions," Godbey Lecture Series – Constitutional Law 101 (Dallas, TX (February 2011))

"Constitutional Structure," Godbey Lecture Series – Constitutional Law 101 (Dallas, TX (February 2011))

"Civil Rights and Liberties," Godbey Lecture Series – Constitutional Law 101 (Dallas, TX (February 2011))

"Methods of Interpretation," Godbey Lecture Series – Constitutional Law 101 (Dallas, TX (February 2011))



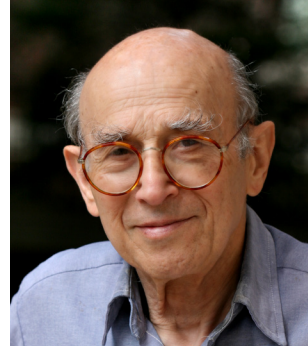
## WILLIAM J. BRIDGE

*Associate Professor of Law*

### PRESENTATIONS

"Transition to Practice, Ethics and Malpractice," Dallas Bar Association (Dallas, TX (September 2011))

"I Didn't Know That," Texas Ethics Opinions, Dallas Gay and Lesbian Bar Association (Dallas, TX (February 2011))



## ALAN R. BROMBERG

*University Distinguished Professor of Law*

### PUBLICATIONS

2012 Supplement to BROMBERG & LOWENFELS ON SECURITIES FRAUD AND COMMODITIES FRAUD (Thomson/West) (with Lowenfels)

2012 Supplement to BROMBERG & RIBSTEIN ON PARTNERSHIP (Aspen 1997) (with Ribstein) (forthcoming)

BROMBERG & RIBSTEIN ON LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIPS, THE REVISED UNIFORM PARTNERSHIP ACT AND THE REVISED UNIFORM LIMITED PARTNERSHIP ACT (Aspen 2011 Edition) (with Ribstein)

November 2011 Supplements to BROMBERG & LOWENFELS ON SECURITIES FRAUD AND COMMODITIES FRAUD (Thomson/West) (with Lowenfels)

December 2011 Supplements to BROMBERG & RIBSTEIN ON PARTNERSHIP (Aspen 1997) (with Ribstein)

*How Did Madoff "Pull It Off"?*, 43 SECURITIES REGULATION & LAW REPORT 550 (2011) (with Lowenfels)



## CHERYL NELSON BUTLER

*Assistant Professor of Law*

### PUBLICATIONS

*Blackness As Delinquency*, 90 WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW \_\_\_\_ (forthcoming 2012)

*Sex Slavery in the Lone Star State: Does the Texas Human Trafficking Legislation of 2011 Protect Sexually Exploited Minors?*, 44 AKRON LAW REVIEW \_\_\_\_ (forthcoming 2012)

*Kids For Sale*, 43 SETON HALL LAW REVIEW \_\_\_\_ (forthcoming 2013)

### PRESENTATIONS

Panelist, "International and Domestic Law in Interaction: Marginalization in the Global Struggle Against Human Trafficking," Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting (Amelia Island, FL (July 2012))

Co-Panelist, "Trayvon Martin: Examining Race & Justice in America," SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (April 2012))

"Kids for Sale," 2012 Southeast/Southwest People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference: "Transformative Advocacy, Scholarship and Praxis: Taking Our Pulse," Samford University Cumberland School of Law (Birmingham, AL (March 2012))



Commentator, "You Got Brides!" Expanding Our Reach: Human Rights and Legal Issues of International Online Matchmaking, presentation by Linh K. Dai, Ph.D. Candidate, Arizona State University, at the 2012 Southeast / Southwest People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference, "Transformative Advocacy, Scholarship, and Praxis: Taking Our Pulse," Samford University Cumberland School of Law (Birmingham, AL (March 2012))

Organizer/Panelist, "Blackness as Delinquency," 15th Annual Conference of the Association for Study of Law, Society & Culture, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law (Fort Worth, TX (March 2012))

Moderator, "The 'F-Bomb': Women and Feminism," Women in Law Panel, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (February 2012))

Moderator, "The Legacy of *Brown vs. Board of Education*," SMU Black Law Student Association, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (February 2012))

Panelist, "The Women's Suffrage Movement in the United States," Inaugural Women's Initiative Fellowship Program of the President George W. Bush Institute, "Women & Democracy," SMU Cox School of Business (Dallas, TX (February 2012))

Panelist, "Blackness As Delinquency," for "Spotlight on Civil Rights: How Racial and Religious Profiling Offends the Rule of Law," SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (November 2011))

Panelist, "Black Women, Racial Identity and the Juvenile Court Movement," Conference, "Race and Criminal Justice in the West," Gonzaga University School of Law (Spokane, WA (September 2011))

Panelist, "Bridge Over Troubled Waters: Safe Harbor Legislation for Sexually Exploited Minors," ClassCrits IV: Legal Scholarship Conference, "Criminalizing

Economic Inequality," American University Washington College of Law (Washington, DC (September 2011))



## ANTHONY J. COLANGELO

Associate Professor of Law

### PUBLICATIONS

*Spatial Legality*, 107 NORTH-WESTERN UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW \_\_\_\_ (forthcoming 2012)

*Spatial Legality, Due Process, and Choice of Law under U.S. State Law*, \_\_\_\_ UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT IRVINE LAW REVIEW \_\_\_\_ (forthcoming 2012) (with K. Kiik)

*Universal Jurisdiction as an International "False Conflict" of Laws*, in INTERNATIONAL LAW: CONTEMPORARY ISSUES AND FUTURE PROBLEMS (Sanford Silverburg, ed.) (Westview 2011)

### PRESENTATIONS

Panelist, "Transnational Litigation," Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting (Amelia Island, FL (July 2012))

"Spatial Legality, Due Process, and Choice of Law under U.S. State Law," UC Irvine Law School, Symposium: Human Rights Litigation in U.S. State Courts and under State Law (March 2012)

"Spatial Legality," Arizona State Law School's Center for Law and Global Affairs (Tempe, AZ (Spring 2012))

"Spatial Legality," Law and Government Workshop, Vanderbilt Law School (Nashville, TN (January 2012))

Panelist, "Criminal vs. Civil Procedure," Saudi Rule of Law Forum, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (January 2012))

Panelist, judges panel for a moot of an attorney, Office of the Federal Public Defender, Northern District of Texas, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (October 2011))

"International Law as Expander and Reducer of Domestic Rights and Powers," International Law Association Weekend (New York City, NY (October 2011))

"Constitutional Law and the War on Terrorism," Roundtable Reflections on September 11, 2001: Ten Years Later, World Affairs Council of Dallas/Ft. Worth and University of North Texas (Denton, TX (September 2011))

### OTHER

Report, *Extraterritorial Jurisdiction over Dual Use Nuclear Commodity Smuggling and International Law*, for workshop "Cooperation to Control Non-State Nuclear Proliferation: Extra-Territorial Jurisdiction and UN Resolutions 1540 and 1373" held by the Nautilus Foundation with the Stanley Foundation and the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace (2011)



## NATHAN CORTEZ

Associate Professor of Law

### PUBLICATIONS

*Cross-Border Health Care and the Hydraulics of Health Reform*, in THE GLOBALIZATION OF HEALTH CARE: LEGAL AND ETHICAL CHALLENGES (Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2012)

*The Legal Ambiguities of an Unregulated Market*, in MEDICAL TOURISM: RISKS AND CONTROVERSIES IN THE EXPLODING INDUSTRY OF GLOBAL MEDICINE (Praeger Publishing, forthcoming 2012)

*A Medical Malpractice Model for Developing Countries*, 4 DREXEL LAW REVIEW 217 (Fall 2011)

*The Elusive Ideal of Market Competition in U.S. Health Care*, in HEALTH CARE AND EU LAW (J. van de Gronden, M. Krajewski, U. Neergaard, E. Szyszczak eds.) (Asser Press 2011)

### PRESENTATIONS

"A Novel Way to Cover Uninsured Immigrants?" Lat Crit XVI (San Diego, CA (October 2011))

"Immigrants and Health Reform," Hispanic National Bar Association Annual Meeting (Dallas, TX (September 2011))



## GREGORY S. CRESPI

Professor of Law

### PUBLICATIONS

*The Underappreciated Importance of the Sequence in Which the Issues are Addressed in Contract Litigation*, 46 NEW ENGLAND LAW REVIEW \_\_\_\_ (forthcoming 2012)

*Who is Liable for Attorney's Fees under Texas Civil Practice & Remedies Code Section 38.001 in Breach of Contract Litigation?*, 65 SMU LAW REVIEW \_\_\_\_ (forthcoming 2012)

*Teaching Contract Law: Introducing Students to a Critical Perspective through Discussion of Indentured Servitude and Sharecropper Contracts*, 46 NEW ENGLAND LAW REVIEW \_\_\_\_ (forthcoming 2012)

*Misbehavior and Mistake in Bankruptcy Mortgage Claims: Some Caveats Regarding the Porter Study*, 45 CREIGHTON LAW REVIEW 361 (2012)

*The Underappreciated Importance of the Sequence in Contract Litigation: The "Signed Offer" Statute of Fraud Cases*, 46 NEW ENGLAND LAW REVIEW 37 (2012)

### PRESENTATIONS

Taught a mini-course, "Selected Topics in the Economic Analysis of Law," Appellate Judges Education Institute Certificate Program, SMU Dedman School of Law (Santa Fe, NM (June 2012))



## GAIL M. DALY

Associate Dean for Library and Technology, Director of the Underwood Law Library and Associate Professor of Law

### PRESENTATIONS

"Where is the Library," Bricks, Bytes, and Continuous Renovation Conference, American Bar Association's Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar, Thomas Jefferson School of Law (San Diego, CA (March 2012))



## WILLIAM V. DORSANEO, III

Chief Justice John and Lena Hickman Distinguished Faculty Fellow and Professor of Law

### PUBLICATIONS

DORSANEO'S TEXAS LITIGATION GUIDE (26 vols.) (Matthew Bender 1977) (Treatise and Practice Guide) Releases 100-103 (2011), Releases 104-105 (2012), Releases 106-107 (forthcoming 2012)

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS: CIVIL PROCEDURE (LexisNexis, Third Edition, forthcoming 2012) (with Thornburg)

DORSANEO'S TEXAS PRETRIAL PROCEDURE (4 vols.) (Release 11) (LexisNexis 2011)

DORSANEO'S TEXAS DISCOVERY (2011-2012 Release) (LexisNexis 2011)

TEXAS REAL ESTATE GUIDE (2010-2011 Release) (LexisNexis 2011)

CASES AND MATERIALS ON CIVIL PROCEDURE (LexisNexis 2011) (coauthored)

TEXAS CIVIL PROCEDURE: TRIAL AND APPELLATE PRACTICE (LexisNexis 2011) (coauthored)

TEXAS CIVIL PROCEDURE: PRETRIAL LITIGATION (LexisNexis 2011) (coauthored)

### PRESENTATIONS

Taught a mini-course, "Access to Justice: The Impact of Evolving Pretrial Dismissal Principles," Appellate Judges Education Institute Certificate Program, SMU Dedman School of Law (Santa Fe, NM (June 2012))

Moderator, Alfred P. Murrah Lecture Series Panel Discussion on "The Best Approach to Briefing," SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (January 2012))

### OTHER

*Recent Texas Legislation on Civil Litigation Practice: Dorsaneo on 2011 House Bill 274*, LexisNexis Emerging Issues Analysis, 2011 Emerging Issues 5883 (September 2011)



## LINDA EADS

Associate Provost and Associate Professor of Law

### PRESENTATIONS

Panelist, "The F-Bomb: A Discussion on Feminism & the Law," Women in Law Panel, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (February 2012))

Moderator, break-out panel discussions on Ethics, the Appellate Judicial Education Institute's Annual Summit, (Washington, DC (November 2011))



## JULIA P. FORRESTER

Professor of Law

### PUBLICATIONS

*Promising to Be Prudent: A Private Law Approach to Mortgage Loan Regulation in Common-Interest Communities*, 19 GEORGE MASON LAW REVIEW 739 (2012) (with J. Organ)

### PRESENTATIONS

"Promising to Be Prudent: A Private Law Approach to Mortgage Loan Regulation in Common-Interest Communities," Joint



Meeting of the Sections on Property and Real Estate Transactions, American Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting (Washington, DC (January 2012))

"The Texas Assignment of Rents Act," Houston Bar Association Real Estate Section (Houston, TX (October 2011))

"Texas Assignment of Rents Act," Mortgage Lending Institute (Austin, TX (September 2011)) and (Dallas, TX (October 2011))

#### APPOINTMENTS

Committee Member of Texas State Bar Real Estate, Probate and Trust Law Section charged with drafting the Texas Assignment of Rents Act



#### JEFFREY M. GABA

*Professor of Law*

#### PUBLICATIONS

*Exporting Waste: Regulation of the Export of Hazardous Wastes from the United States*, 36 WILIAM & MARY ENVIRONMENTAL LAW JOURNAL 410 (2012)

2011 Edition, GABA'S TEXAS ENVIRONMENTAL LAW STATUTES ANNOTATED (West)

2011 Updates, THE LAW OF SOLID WASTE, POLLUTION PREVENTION AND RECYCLING (West 1992) (with Stever)

Teacher's Manual, APPLGATE, LAITOS, GABA & SACS, REGULATION OF TOXIC SUBSTANCES AND HAZARDOUS WASTE 2D ED. (Foundation Press, University Casebook Series, 2011)

*Copyrighting Shakespeare: Jacob Tonson, Eighteenth Century English Copyright, and the Birth of Shakespeare Scholarship*, 19 JOURNAL OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW 21 (2011)

#### PRESENTATIONS

"Federal Regulation of Greenhouse Gases: An Update," Corporate Counsel Symposium, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (October 2011))



#### BRYAN GARNER

*Distinguished Research Professor of Law*

#### PUBLICATIONS

READING THE LAW: THE INTERPRETATION OF LEGAL TEXTS (Thomson/West 2012) (with Justice Antonin Scalia)



#### CHRISTOPHER H. HANNA

*Altshuler Distinguished Teaching Professor and Professor of Law*

#### PUBLICATIONS

CORPORATE INCOME TAX

ACCOUNTING 2012 Edition (Warren Gorham & Lamont, 2011)

CORPORATE INCOME TAX ACCOUNTING 2011 Edition (Warren Gorham & Lamont, 2011)



#### JEFFREY KAHN

*Associate Professor of Law*

#### PRESENTATIONS

"Russia on the Eve of Presidential Elections – Stagnation, Crisis or Reform?" seminar, Swedish Institute of International Affairs ("UI") (Stockholm, Sweden (February 2012))

"The Second Conviction of Mikhail Khodorkovsky: Implications for Russian Legal Reform and the European Court of Human Rights," Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki (Helsinki, Finland (February 2012))

"After Twenty Years: Russia, Human Rights, and Legal Reform," Russian and Eurasian Studies Seminar, St. Antony's College, Oxford University (Oxford, UK (January 2012))

"The Second Conviction of Mikhail Khodorkovsky: Implications for Russian Legal Reform and the European Court of Human Rights," Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (Oslo, Norway (January 2012))

Speaker, University of Michigan Center for Russian, East European & Eurasian Studies "Brown Bag Lecture Series," (Ann Arbor, MI (January 2012))

Speaker, University of Michigan Center for Russian, East European & Eurasian Studies "Russian Law Workshop," (Ann Arbor, MI (January 2012))

Organizer and Presenter, "The Dictatorship of Law: The Khodorkovsky Case, Human Rights, and the Rule of Law in Russia," AALS National Conference (Washington, DC (January 2012))

"Mrs. Shipley's Ghost: The Right to Travel and the Challenge of Terrorism," University of Connecticut School of Law (Hartford, CT (November 2011))

#### APPOINTMENTS

Faculty Associate, John Goodwin Tower Center for Political Science, SMU

#### OTHER

Report prepared for the Council of the President of the Russian Federation for the Development of Civil Society and Human Rights regarding the Verdict of the Khamovnichesky District Court of the City of Moscow against M.B. Khodorkovsky and P.L. Lebedev, Criminal Case No. 1-23/10 (October 2011)



#### NDIVA KOFELE-KALE

*University Distinguished Professor and Professor of Law*

#### PRESENTATIONS

Presented keynote address, 22nd Annual Fulbright Symposium on International Legal Problems "Confronting Complexity in International Law," Golden Gate University School of Law and the International Law & Practice Section of the ABA (San

Francisco, CA (April 2011))

Presenter, Conference on Africa and International Law: Taking Stock and Moving Forward, Albany Law School, Co-sponsored by: The African Interest Group of the American Society of International Law (Albany, NY (April 2012))



## JOHN S. LOWE

Senior Associate Dean  
for Academic Affairs  
and George W. Hutchison  
Professor of Energy Law

### PUBLICATIONS

CASES AND MATERIALS ON OIL AND GAS LAW (West, 6th Edition, forthcoming 2012) (coauthored)

2011-2012 Cumulative Pocket Parts, KUNTZ, LAW OF OIL AND GAS, (Lexis, forthcoming 2012) (with Anderson, Smith & Pierce)



## GEORGE A. MARTINEZ

Professor of Law

### PUBLICATIONS

Arizona, Immigration and

*Latinos: The Epistemology of Whiteness, the Geography of Race, Interest Convergence and the View from the Perspective of Critical Theory*, \_\_\_\_ ARIZONA STATE LAW JOURNAL \_\_\_\_ (forthcoming 2012)

*Alonso S. Perales and the Effort to Establish the Civil Rights of Mexican-Americans As Seen through the Lens of Contemporary Critical Legal Theory: Postracialism, Reality Construction, Interest Conveyance and Other Critical Themes*, in IN DEFENSE OF MY PEOPLE: ALONSO S. PERALES AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF MEXICAN-AMERICAN PUBLIC INTELLECTUALS (M. Olivas ed.) (Arte Publico Press, forthcoming 2012)

Review of BRIAN D. BEHNKEN, FIGHTING THEIR OWN BATTLES: MEXICAN-AMERICANS, AFRICAN-AMERICANS, AND THE STRUGGLE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS IN TEXAS, in JOURNAL OF AMERICAN HISTORY (Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2012)

*Stranger at the Gate: The Effect of the Plaintiff's Use of an Interpreter on Juror Decision-making*, 29 BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES AND THE LAW 499 (2011) (coauthored)

*The Legal Construction of Race: Mexican-Americans and Whiteness*, reprinted in THE LATINO CONDITION: A CRITICAL READER (R. Delgado & J. Stefancic eds.) (New York University Press, Second Edition, 2011)

*The Significance of Narrative for Outsiders*, in THE LATINO CONDITION: A CRITICAL READER 261 (R. Delgado & J. Stefancic eds.) (New York University Press, Second Edition, 2011)

*Mexican-Americans and Whiteness*, in THE LATINO CONDITION: A CRITICAL READER 364 (R. Delgado & J. Stefancic eds.) (New York University Press, Second Edition, 2011)

*African-Americans, Latinos and The Construction of Race: Toward an Epistemic Coalition*, reprinted in THE LATINO CONDI-

TION: A CRITICAL READER 481 (R. Delgado & J. Stefancic eds.) (New York University Press, Second Edition, 2011)

### PRESENTATIONS

"Alonso S. Perales and the Effort to Establish the Civil Rights of Mexican-Americans As Seen through the Lens of Contemporary Critical Legal Theory: Postracialism, Reality Construction, Interest Convergence and Other Critical Themes," conference entitled "In Defense of My People: Alonso S. Perales and the Development of Mexican-American Public Intellectuals," University of Houston (Houston, TX (January 2012))

"St. Augustine, Law and Race," Sixth Annual Conference on Catholic Legal Thought (Norman, OK (May 2011))

"Race, American Law and the State of Nature," conference entitled "Evolving Issues in Discrimination: Social Sciences and Legal Perspectives," University of Nebraska at Lincoln (Lincoln, NB (April 2011))



## THOMAS Wm. MAYO

Altshuler Distinguished  
Teaching Professor and  
Associate Professor of Law

### PUBLICATIONS

*Twylla Tharp Goes to Law School: On the Use of the Visual and Performing Arts in Professional Education*, in BEYOND TEXT IN LEGAL EDUCATION -VOL. II: THE MORAL IMAGINATION AND THE LEGAL LIFE 120 (Ashgate Press 2012)

*Futility: My Life, in THE PICTURE OF HEALTH: MEDICAL ETHICS AND THE MOVIES 428* (H. Colt, S. Quadrelli & L. Friedman eds.) (Oxford University Press 2011)

*Bioethics*, in HEALTH LAW PRACTICE GROUP 15:1 (Gosfield et al. eds.) (Westlaw, 3rd ed., 2011)

*Bioethics*, in FUNDAMENTALS OF HEALTH LAW 407 (AHLA, 5th ed., 2011)

### PRESENTATIONS

"Health Reform After the Supreme Court's Decision: Where Do We Go From Here?" University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center (Dallas, TX (July 2012))

"Donation after Cardiac Death and the 'Dead Donor Rule,'" Dallas Bar Association, (Dallas, TX (June 2012))

"The Texas Medical Futility Law," National College of Probate Judges 2012 Spring Meeting (Tucson, AZ (May 2012))

"Ethical Issues in Pediatrics," UT Southwestern Medical School Pediatrics Interest Group (Dallas, TX (December 2011))

"Health Care in [the Supreme] Court: The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act on Trial," UT Southwestern Medical School (Dallas, TX (November 2011))

Neonatal Intensive Care In-service, Parkland Memorial Hospital (Dallas, TX (2011))

### APPOINTMENTS

Elected as a member of the America Law Institute

Fellow, SMU Dedman College Interdisciplinary Institute for 2012-2013

### AWARDS

2012 Altshuler Distinguished Teaching Professor Award, SMU Center for Teaching Excellence





## J. MARK McWATTERS

Director of Graduate Programs

### APPOINTMENTS

Appointed by Governor Rick Perry to the board of the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs which manages a variety of programs for affordable housing, community services, colonia housing and energy assistance for Texans in need



## XUAN-THAO NGUYEN

Professor of Law

### PUBLICATIONS

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY TAXATION (2nd Edition, Carolina Academic Press, forthcoming) (with J. Maine)

*Trademark Apologetic Justice: China and Three Laws on Trademark Reputation*, \_\_UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA JOURNAL OF BUSINESS LAW \_\_ (forthcoming 2012)

*Taxing Facebook Code: Debugging the Tax Code and Software*,

60 BUFFALO LAW REVIEW 1 (2012) (coauthored)

2011 Supplement to INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY TAXATION (BNA) (with J. Maine)

2011 Supplements to INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, SOFTWARE AND INFORMATION LICENSING: LAW AND PRACTICE (BNA 2007) (with R. Gormulkiewicz & D. Conway-Jones)

*The History of Intellectual Property Taxation: Promoting Innovation and Other Intellectual Property Goals?*, 64 SMU LAW REVIEW 795 (2011) (coauthored)

### PRESENTATIONS

Co-moderator for three Tax/IP Group Meetings, AALS Workshop for New Law Professors (Washington, DC (June 2012))

"On the 30th Anniversary of China's Trademark Law: An Examination of U.S. Trademark Development and Challenges in the Last Three Decades," Plenary Session, China's International Conference on Chinese 30th Anniversary of Trademark Law, Southwest University of Politics and Law & Chongqing Court System (Chongqing, China (June 2012))

"Curriculum Development and IPR Challenges in International Trade," Hanoi Law University (Hanoi, Vietnam (May 2012))

"Virtual Property: Property, Contracts or Both?" Vietnam National University Faculty of Law (Hanoi, Vietnam (May 2012))

"Trends in Digital Copyrights," Vietnam National University Faculty of Law (Hanoi, Vietnam (May 2012))

"Lawyers, Lawyering and Organizations," The Institute of State and Law, The National Ho Chi Minh Academy (Hanoi, Vietnam (May 2012))

Moderator, "Tributes to the Honorable John T. Ward, Eastern District of Texas," Symposium on Emerging Intellectual Property Issues, SMU

Dedman School of Law. Organized the Symposium. (Dallas, TX (April 2012))

"Promoting Intellectual Property Goals Through the Tax System?" Faculty Forum, UW Law School's IP and Tax Faculty, University of Washington School of Law (Seattle, WA (April 2012))

"The Other Famous Marks Doctrine," University of Washington School of Law (Seattle, WA (April 2012))

Moderator, "Representing Start-ups and Tech Companies," SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (March 2012))

"Trademark Reputation and Remedies," Texas Wesleyan University, School of Law (Fort Worth, TX (February 2012))

Moderator, "Blogging, Social Media & the Law," SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (February 2012))

"Vietnam Today," SMU Cox Business School, Executive MBA Program (Dallas, TX (February 2012))

Moderator, "From Facebook's IPO to Google Patents Acquisition," SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (February 2012))

Panelist, "Codification of Business Law," Saudi Rule of Law Forum, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (January 2012))

"Intellectual Property Remedies: The Middle Kingdom and Her Three Laws," Washington University School of Law (St. Louis, MO (January 2012))

"The Year in Video Game Law," Game::Business::Law – International Summit on the Law and Business of Video Games, SMU Dedman School of Law, The Guildhall at SMU, and The Center for American and International Law (Dallas, TX (January 2012))

"Copyrights, Information, Databases and Fair Use," Ho Chi Minh Academy (Hanoi, Vietnam

(December 2011))

"E-commerce and Trademark Issues," Hanoi Law University (Hanoi, Vietnam (December 2011))

"U.S. Civil Litigations: IP Perspective," Judicial Academy, Ministry of Justice (Hanoi, Vietnam (December 2011))

"Introduction" to "China IP: Now!" Symposium, SMU Dedman School of Law. Organized the symposium (Dallas, TX (October 2011))

### APPOINTMENTS

Chair-Elect and Member of the Executive Board for the AALS Minority Law Professors Section

### OTHER

Chaired, AALS Workshop for New Law Professors (Washington, DC (June 2012))

Chaired, AALS Workshop for Pretentured People of Color Law Professors (Washington, DC (June 2012))

Chaired, AALS Workshop for New Clinical Law Professors (Washington, DC (June 2012))



## JOSEPH NORTON

James L. Walsh Distinguished Faculty Fellow and Professor of Law

### PUBLICATIONS

*Evaluating International Financial Crisis Response Mechanisms*, in CRISIS MANAGEMENT AND THE USE OF GOVERNMENT GUARANTEES (OECD/Palsgrave-

MacMillan, forthcoming 2012)  
(coauthored)

#### PRESENTATIONS

Panelist, "Codification of Business Law," Saudi Rule of Law Forum, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (January 2012))



#### ELLEN SMITH PRYOR

*Homer R. Mitchell  
Endowed Professor of Law  
and University Distinguished  
Teaching Professor*

#### PRESENTATIONS

"The Process of Re-drafting the Re-Statement of Torts 3rd," Saudi Rule of Law Forum, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (January 2012))

Presented paper relating to the Restatement Third of Torts, Second Annual International Forum on Civil Law, sponsored by the China Civil Law Society, the Civil Law Research Center of Renmin University, the Academy for East Asian Tort Law, Fudan University Law School, and Fudan University Medial Law School (Shanghai, China (2011))



#### KEITH ROBINSON

*Assistant Professor of Law*

#### PUBLICATION

No "Direction" Home: An Alternative Approach to Joint Infringement, 62 AMERICAN UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW \_\_\_\_ (forthcoming 2012)

#### PRESENTATIONS

"The Limits of Human Mind and the Evolving Standard for Patent Eligibility," New Scholars Workshop, Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting (Amelia Island, FL (August 2012))

Panelist, "Strategic Perspectives," Symposium on Emerging Intellectual Property Issues, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (April 2012))

"The Year in Video Game Law," Game::Business::Law – International Summit on the Law and Business of Video Games, SMU Dedman School of Law, The Guildhall at SMU, and The Center for American and International Law (Dallas, TX (January 2012))

Panelist, "Minority Pre-Law Student Symposium," SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (January 2012))

Panelist, "Professional Perspectives in IP Law," SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (September 2011))

Panelist, "America Invents Act, Insights and Implications for Small Businesses," SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (September 2011))

"Managing IP Risk in Day-to-Day Business Operations," Software and Information Industry Association Webinar (August 2011)



#### C. PAUL ROGERS, III

*Professor of Law and Former  
Dean of the Law School*

#### PRESENTATIONS

Panelist, "The Law Professor as Faculty Athletics Representative," Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting (Amelia Island, FL (July 2012))



#### MEGHAN J. RYAN

*Assistant Professor of Law*

#### PUBLICATIONS

*The Missing Jury: The Neglected Role of Juries in Eighth Amendment Punishments Clause Determinations*, 64 FLORIDA LAW REVIEW 549 (2012)

*Proximate Retribution*, 48 HOUSTON LAW REVIEW 1049 (2012)

#### PRESENTATIONS

Panelist, "Law and Neuroscience," Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting (Amelia Island, FL (July 2012))

"Science and the New Criminal Rehabilitation," Law Faculty Research and Development Exchange, University of Arkansas School of Law (Fayetteville, AR (February 2012))

"The New Utility and Morality of Stem Cell Research," What Every Student Should Know About Cloning & Human Stem-Cell Research, Federalist Law Society, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (January 2012))

"A Jury's Interpretation of Cruelty," Southeastern Association of Law Schools, 2011 Annual Conference (Hilton Head, SC (July 2011))

"Total Retribution," 2011 Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (San Francisco, CA (June 2011))

"Science and Rehabilitation," Sixth Annual Conference on Catholic Legal Thought, University of Oklahoma College of Law (Norman, OK (May 2011))



#### MARY SPECTOR

*Director of Consumer Law Project, Co-Director of Civil Clinic, and Associate Professor of Law*

#### PUBLICATIONS

*From Representation to Research: A Clinic Teacher's Reflections on Collecting and Using Empirical Research*, \_\_\_\_ UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT



OF COLUMBIA DAVID A. CLARKE  
SCHOOL OF LAW LAW REVIEW \_\_\_\_  
(forthcoming 2012)

## PRESENTATIONS

Expert on panel at public hearing regarding credit reporting, U.S. Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (Detroit, MI (July 2012))

"Where the FCRA meets the FDCPA: The Impact of Un-Fair Collection Practices on the Credit Report," Credit Scoring and Credit Reporting Symposium, Suffolk University Law School and National Consumer Law Center (Boston, MA (June 2012))

Organized panel presentation of Bellow Scholars entitled "Using Empirical Research in our Clinics to Navigate a Changing Landscape," 2012 AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education (Los Angeles, CA (May 2012))

"Debt Collection Update," 6th Biennial Teaching Consumer Law Conference, "Teaching Debt Collection," University of Houston Law Center (Houston, TX (May 2012))

"Exploring the Litigation of Consumer Debt Collection Litigation," St. Mary's University School of Law, Faculty Enrichment Program (San Antonio, TX (January 2012))

"Fixing a 'Broken System': Using Data to Shape Meaningful Change in the Litigation of Consumer Debts," Clinical Law Review Writers' Workshop, New York University (New York, NY (October 2011))

Panelist, "Protecting Consumers in Collection Litigation," 13th Annual International Conference IACL, Brunel University (London, UK (July 2011))

Moderator, Bellow Presentations, AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education (Seattle, WA (June 2011))

## OTHER

Workshop Co-Chair, 5th Annual Bellow Scholar Workshop, New York University (New York, NY (September 2011))



## MARC I. STEINBERG

*Senior Associate Dean  
for Research and Rupert  
and Lillian Radford  
Professor of Law*

## PUBLICATIONS

GLOBAL ISSUES IN SECURITIES LAWS (West Academic Publishing, forthcoming 2013)

SECURITIES REGULATION (Lexis-Nexis, 6th edition, forthcoming 2012)

2012 Supplements to SECURITIES PRACTICE: FEDERAL AND STATE ENFORCEMENT (West, 2d ed., 2001) (forthcoming) (coauthored)

DEVELOPMENTS IN BUSINESS LAW AND POLICY (Cognella 2012)

Release 51-53 to SECURITIES REGULATION: LIABILITIES AND REMEDIES (Law Journal Press 1984) (2011)

2011 Annual Supplement to ATTORNEY LIABILITY AFTER SARBANES-OXLEY (Law Journal Press 2005)

2011 Supplement to TEXTBOOK SECURITIES REGULATION, (Lexis-Nexis, Revised 5th ed., 2009)

Enhanced "Blue Sky" Enforcement: A Path to Help Solve Our Public School Funding Dilemma, 50 WASHBURN LAW JOURNAL 563 (2011)

## PRESENTATIONS

Speaker and Planning Committee Member, University of Texas Annual Conference on Securities Regulation (Austin, TX (February 2012))

Panelist, "Codification of Business Law," Saudi Rule of Law Forum, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (January 2012))

Moderator, "Implementing the Dodd-Frank Act," SMU Corporate Counsel Symposium, SMU Law Review Association, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (October 2011))



## JOSHUA C. TATE

*Associate Professor of Law*

## PRESENTATIONS

Panelist, "The Law and Reality of Trusts and Estates," South-eastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting (Amelia Island, FL (July 2012))

"History of Anglo-American Legal Institutions," Appellate Judges Education Institute Certificate Program, SMU Dedman School of Law (Santa Fe, NM (June 2012))

Panelist, judges panel for a moot of an attorney, Office of the Federal Public Defender, Northern District of Texas, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (October 2011))

## APPOINTMENTS

Vice-Chair on the Uniform Acts for Trust and Estate Law Committee, ABA Real Property, Trust and Estate Law Section

Committee Member, Sutherland Prize Committee of the American Society for Legal History, 2012-2015

Selected for Robbins Fellowship at Boalt Hall and the University of California at Berkley



## DAVID O. TAYLOR

*Assistant Professor of Law*

## PUBLICATIONS

Patent Misjoinder, 87 NEW YORK UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW \_\_\_\_ (forthcoming 2012)

## PRESENTATIONS

Panelist, "Target, The Eastern District of Texas," Symposium on Emerging Intellectual Property Issues, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (April 2012))

"Patent Law and Your Career," Mechanical Engineering Seminar, Texas A&M University (College Station, TX (November 2011))

"America Invents Act: Should You Forget Everything You Knew About Patent Law?," SMU Science and Technology Law Review, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (September 2011))

"Careers in Intellectual Property," Intellectual Property Organization, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (September 2011))



## ELIZABETH G. THORNBURG

Professor of Law

### PUBLICATIONS

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS: CIVIL PROCEDURE (LexisNexis, 3d ed., forthcoming 2012) (with Dorsaneo)

TEXAS CIVIL PROCEDURE: TRIAL AND APPELLATE PRACTICE 2011-2012 (LexisNexis 2011) (coauthored)

TEXAS CIVIL PROCEDURE: PRE-TRIAL LITIGATION 2011-2012 (LexisNexis 2011) (coauthored)

### PRESENTATIONS

"Judicial Research on the Internet Outside the Record," National Workshop for U.S. Magistrate Judges (Miami, FL (April 2012))

"Learning about Law from Lawtalk," John C. Ford Inn of Court (Dallas, TX (February 2012))

"Working With Faculty," College Library Directors Mentor Program Seminar, Point Loma Nazarene University (San Diego, CA (January 2012))

"Interim Report on the MTBE Litigation," Fifth International Conference on the Globalization of Class Action and Mass Litigation," (The Hague, Netherlands (December 2011))

"Judicial Fact Research: Ethical Limits, and How Lawyers Can Fill the Gap," Dallas Bar Association Ethics Luncheon (Dallas, TX (June 2011))

"Interim Report on the MTBE Litigation," 2011 Annual Law & Society Conference (San Francisco, CA (June 2011))

"Judicial Fact Research: Ethical Limits and How Lawyers Can Fill the Gap," SMU Alumni Reunion (Dallas, TX (April 2011))



## SARAH MCQUILLEN TRAN

Assistant Professor of Law

### PUBLICATIONS

Co-organizing collection of articles on "Intellectual Property, Innovation, and the Environment," (Edward Elgar Publishing, forthcoming) (with P. Menell)

*Policy Tailors and the Patent Office*, \_\_ UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT DAVIS LAW REVIEW \_\_ (forthcoming 2012)

*Patent Powers*, 25 HARVARD JOURNAL OF LAW & TECHNOLOGY 595 (2012)

### PRESENTATIONS

"Administrative Law and the Patent System," Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, "Special Relationships: Specialized Agencies and the Courts," (Amelia Island, FL (July 2012))

"The Patent System's Role in Promoting Renewable Energy Development," Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting, "Adapting to Climate Change" (Amelia Island, FL (July 2012))

"Policy, Tailors and the Patent Office," 'Pat Con 2' – The Patent Conference, Boston College Law School (Boston, MA (May 2012))

Panelist, "A Brave New World of Patent Laws and Procedure," Symposium on Emerging Intellectual Property Issues, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (April 2012))

Moderator, "Overview of the America Invents Act," Symposium on Emerging Intellectual Property Issues, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (April 2012))

"The Patent System's Role in Promoting Renewable Energy Development," Green Technology Law & Policy Symposium, Georgetown International Environmental Law Review, Georgetown University Law Center (Washington, DC (April 2012))

"Prioritizing Innovation: Using the Patent System to Promote the Development of Renewable Energy and Other Socially-Valuable Inventions," Faculty Lecture Series, University of Wisconsin Law School (Madison, WI (March 2012))

"The Patent System's Role in Promoting Renewable Energy Development," 2012 Wisconsin International Law Journal Symposium, "Renewable Energy & Climate Change: Opportunities & Challenges," University of Wisconsin Law School (Madison, WI (March 2012))

"Administrative Law and the Patent System after Patent Reform," Patent Law Symposium, Texas Intellectual Property Law Journal, University of Texas School of Law (Austin, TX (February 2012))

"Administrative and Institutional Concerns in Patent Law," Commentator for Arti Rai's work, University of San Diego Patent Law Conference (San Diego, CA (January 2012))

"Patent Powers," SMU Science & Technology Junior Faculty

Forum, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (November 2011))

"Analyzing the Intersection between Administrative Law and Patent Law," George Mason University School of Law (Arlington, VA (November 2011))

"Changing Times: Changing Demands," Introduction remarks, Lecture by Honorable Judge Richard Linn of U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, SMU Law School (Dallas, TX (September 2011))

Panelist, "Trends in Intellectual Property Law," SMU Law School (Dallas, TX (September 2011))

"Expediting Innovation" and "The Role of the Patent Office," Colloquium on Environmental Scholarship, Vermont Law School (South Royalton, VT (September 2011))

Panelist, "America Invents Act: Should You Forget Everything You Knew About Patent Law?," SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (September 2011))

### APPOINTMENTS

Fellow, SMU Dedman College Interdisciplinary Institute for 2012-2013





## JENIA IONTCHEVA TURNER

*Professor of Law*

### PUBLICATIONS

*Plea Bargaining*, in *INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL PROCEDURE: THE INTERFACE OF CIVIL LAW AND COMMON LAW LEGAL SYSTEMS* (F. Pocar & L. Carter eds.) (Edward Elgar, forthcoming 2012)

*Negotiated Justice*, in *GENERAL RULES AND PRINCIPLES OF INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL PROCEDURE* (G. Sluiter et al. eds.) (Oxford UP, forthcoming 2012) (with T. Weigend)

*The Expressive Dimension of EU Criminal Law*, 60 *AMERICAN JOURNAL COMPARATIVE LAW* 555 (2012)

*Policing International Prosecutors*, 45 *NEW YORK UNIVERSITY INTERNATIONAL LAW & POLICY* \_\_\_\_ (forthcoming 2012)

### PRESENTATIONS

"Comparative Criminal Procedure," Presentation to Delegation from Saudi Arabia, Rule of Law Forum, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (January 2012))

"Remedies and Sanctions for Prosecutorial Misconduct at the International Criminal Court," American Society of International Law, International Criminal Law Interest Group Meeting, John Marshall Law School (Chicago, IL (December 2011))

"Negotiated Justice at International Criminal Courts: Final Report," International Expert Framework on International

Criminal Procedure, The Hague Institute for Internationalization of the Law (The Hague, Netherlands (October 2011))

"Remedies and Sanctions for Prosecutorial Misconduct at the International Criminal Court," 24th International Conference of the International Society for the Reform of Criminal Law (Ottawa, Canada (August 2011))

"The Expressive Dimension of EU Criminal Law," Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (San Francisco, CA (June 2011))

### APPOINTMENTS

Faculty Associate, John Goodwin Tower Center for Political Studies, SMU



## JESSICA DIXON WEAVER

*Assistant Professor of Law*

### PUBLICATIONS

*Grandma in the White House*, 43 *SETON HALL LAW REVIEW* \_\_\_\_ (forthcoming 2013)

*African-American Grandmothers: Does the Gender Entrapment Theory Apply?* Essay Response to Professor Beth Richie, 37 *WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY JOURNAL OF LAW & POLICY* 153 (2011)

### PRESENTATIONS

"Child Sexual Victimization: When Abused Children Become Neglectful Mothers," Lutie A. Lytle Black Women Law Faculty Writing Workshop, Suffolk University Law School (Boston, MA (June 2012))

"Family and Race in Post-Obama America," Lutie A. Lytle Black Women Law Faculty Writing Workshop, Suffolk University Law School (Boston, MA (June 2012))

"African-American Grandmothers: Does the Gender-Entrapment Theory Apply? Essay Response to Professor Beth Richie," Art, Life & Law: Sharing ideas, experiences and solutions – A conversation surrounding kinship care within the African American Family, South Dallas Cultural Center (Dallas, TX (June 2012))

"The Principle of Subsidiarity Applied: Reforming the Legal Framework to Capture the Psychological Abuse of Children," Statewide Blue Ribbon Task Force (San Antonio, TX (June 2012))

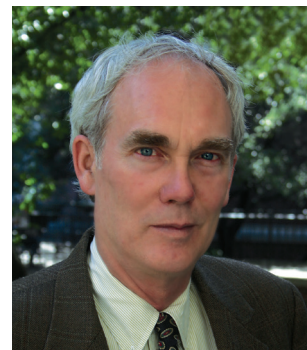
"Grandma in the White House," Sustaining Families: Global and Local Perspectives, Midwest Family Law Consortium, University of Iowa School of Law (Iowa City, IA (June 2012))

"Child Sexual Victimization: When Abused Children Become Neglectful Mothers," Sustaining Families: Global and Local Perspectives, Midwest Family Law Consortium, University of Iowa School of Law (Iowa City, IA (June 2012))

"Child Sexual Victimization: When Abused Children Become Neglectful Mothers," Emerging Family Law Scholars and Teachers Conference, Fordham University School of Law (New York, NY (May 2012))

"Grandma in the White House," SMU Faculty Forum, SMU Dedman School of Law (Dallas, TX (April 2012))

Presenter, Children & Law Section, AALS Annual Meeting (Washington, DC (January 2012))



## PETER WINSHIP

*James Cleo Thompson, Sr.,  
Trustee Professor of Law*

### PRESENTATIONS

"The Convention of the International Sale of Goods (CISG)—Is it Smart to Exclude its Applicability?," The Center for American and International Law Symposium on Global Markets (Plano, TX (May 2011))

"Constitutional Allocation of Authority over Punitive Damages," Nicholas J. Healy Lecture, New York University (New York, NY (May 2011))

## “WRESTLING THE BEAR”

*Teaching first-year students the hard work of legal analysis and writing*



**Ruth A. Cross**

*Associate Dean for Administration,  
Senior Lecturer in Law, and Director  
of Legal Research, Writing and  
Advocacy Program*

“Learning is not a spectator sport. Students do not learn much just sitting in classes listening to teachers, memorizing pre-packaged assignments, and spitting out answers. They must talk about what they are learning, write about it, relate it to past experiences, and apply it to their daily lives. They must make what they learn part of themselves.”<sup>1</sup>

This year marks my fourteenth year as Director of the Legal Research, Writing, and Advocacy course at SMU Dedman School of Law, following 16 years of teaching legal writing as an adjunct. Needless to say, over that period of time there have been many changes in legal education, spurred by remarkable innovations in technology and by the evolving needs of our students.

In recent years, interest in “active learning” techniques has risen exponentially in all levels of education. As defined by Professors Donald R. Paulson and Jennifer L. Faust, “active learning” is “anything that students do in a classroom other than merely passively listening to an instructor’s lecture.”<sup>2</sup> The mainstay of traditional legal education, the Socratic Method, is, of course, an excellent and long-standing example of active learning. Its system of inquiry and debate between student and professor stimulates critical thinking and requires active participation by the students. Even with this long tradition of active learning, however, legal educators at SMU Dedman Law and other law schools seek even more ways to engage students.

By necessity, legal research and writing courses have never relied solely on lectures. Indeed, the only way students can learn effective methods of legal research, hone their skills in critical thinking and logic, and improve the clarity and precision of their writing is by actually doing all three. Thus, the first-year Legal Research, Writing, and Advocacy course at SMU Dedman Law has always utilized in-class exercises, as well as many out-of-class assignments, to help students from fields as disparate as math or music learn to think and write like lawyers.

Still, the course cannot remain static. It must constantly evolve and adjust to changes in both the tools available to students and the ways in which students expect to receive information. For example, dramatic changes in computer research tools, such as the advent of WestlawNext and Lexis Advance, mean students now must learn a different set of research and analytical skills. The task has shifted from simply finding relevant authority, which has become relatively easy, to choosing the best authority and carefully analyzing subtle nuances so as to really understand the state of the law. Moreover, today’s culture of



tweets, blogs, Facebook, and other social media has fundamentally changed the way students expect to receive information. While we cannot and should not turn classrooms into entertainment venues or allow students to think and analyze using 140 characters or less, we do need to engage in even more “active learning” to maintain students’ interest and equip them with the skills they will need to practice law in this environment. This year, we have once again refined our approach to the legal writing course to engage our students even more fully in this process.

## DEVELOPMENT OF THE FIRST-YEAR LEGAL WRITING PROGRAM AT SMU

SMU Dedman Law long ago recognized the importance of providing students with a very strong background in legal research and writing so they would be prepared to contribute immediately to their legal employers in various clerkships, internships, and beyond. In 1999, the faculty took that commitment to an even higher level by changing the first-year legal research and writing course to a two-semester, six-hour, graded course, taught by full-time faculty instead of adjuncts. While most adjunct lecturers had brought skill, commitment, and the perspective of full-time practitioners to the first-year students, they were also busy people with their own legal practices and widely variable approaches to teaching legal writing. Full-time lecturers would similarly have backgrounds in professional practice, but would add expertise and experience in teaching, along with continuity and focused attention on the unique challenges of teaching first-year law students the essentials of legal research, writing, and analysis.

This has indeed occurred. SMU Dedman Law has been very fortunate to attract and retain a distinguished group of legal writing faculty which

has developed expertise in teaching this complex subject to first-year law students. In fact, most of the members of the legal writing faculty have now taught at the law school for more than 10 years.

“Our legal writing faculty is exceptional,” says Dean John B. Attanasio. “Through their varied backgrounds and significant experience in the practice of law, they bring an appreciation of the practical skills required of all legal writers. They are talented and committed, taking full advantage of the small class size to engage all the students in lively debate and discussion.”

While the course has certainly evolved over time, the basic goals have not really changed: to teach students to find the law, accurately analyze what they find, and then write about it clearly and concisely, and—when persuasion is required—convincingly. In the fall semester, the course introduces legal research and analysis and focuses on predictive, objective writing. The semester culminates in a substantial memorandum of law which each student must independently research and write. The spring semester focuses on persuasive writing and oral advocacy, which includes writing a substantial brief of more than twenty pages. The course culminates in the Jackson Walker Moot Court Competition, in which each student, with a partner, orally argues one side of the brief problem to a group of volunteer lawyers and judges who judge the competition. This moot court experience is the height of “active learning.”

It is also the type of advocacy that most students perceive to be the primary job of a lawyer, due in part to popular television shows and movies. Programs such as *Franklin and Bash* show flashy, dynamic, and often questionable courtroom antics but never show the difficult and frustrating work of carefully preparing a case. Producers know there is little appeal in watching a lawyer try to reconcile seemingly

irreconcilable cases, or work to discern what the Supreme Court really meant by a few words in the middle of a 50-page opinion, or construct a novel legal argument in support of an ordinary Motion to Dismiss.

However, in the real world, good lawyers must do the hard work, whether it is discerning a pattern in a series of cases when one is not apparent, or determining, after hours of work, that there is no pattern and that the courts are in disarray as to how to handle a particular legal issue. This is a far cry from what most students expect when coming into law school: an orderly set of rules that are easily discoverable, hopefully through one click of a mouse, and easily applied. I frequently tell the students that the analytical process is like “wrestling a bear”; you cannot subdue it without a lot of effort, and at the end you may feel like you have taken a beating.

Getting first-year law students to the point where they can do this hard work is challenging, in part because we have to present the concepts in a linear fashion over the course of several months, when in reality the various threads of legal research and analysis are more like a ball of twine. Subjects intersect with each other in myriad ways. Students must understand, for example, hierarchy of authority, the interplay between legislatures and courts, the relationship between the federal and state court systems, the subtleties of statutory interpretation, and the role that policy plays in the development and interpretation of various legal rules, among a host of other concepts, before they can begin to analyze a legal problem in any great depth.

Additionally, students must understand the differences between legal writing and other types of writing. Of course, like all good writing, legal writing must be well-organized, grammatically correct, and clear. But it also must follow a structure that is new and foreign to many students. Students

must understand what the reader of a memorandum or brief needs, and they must learn how to meet those needs clearly and concisely. Clear writing is, of course, inextricably tied to clear thinking. As the saying goes, “Good writing is clear thinking made visible.”<sup>3</sup> Since some students have not had the opportunity to learn this type of in-depth analysis, precise thinking, and careful writing, the task can be daunting.

Due to the complexity of this undertaking, we work diligently each year to refine our presentation of the relevant topics and seek new ways to engage and challenge our students.

## RECENT CHANGES

This year we are focusing even more on active learning. Almost no class time is spent lecturing; instead, several different types of exercises require students to actively participate in the learning process. Students cannot watch passively as information is provided to them.

One new technique is geared toward helping develop the students’ ability to view their own work critically, an essential skill for an effective legal writer. Students must review a sample piece of writing and then evaluate the effectiveness of the passage by selecting the best answer from several possible choices. The students must articulate to themselves precisely why they chose a particular answer. It is insufficient to know only that an answer “seems correct.” In class they are then required to commit publicly to an answer and then explain and defend their choice. Thus, students must engage fully in the learning process, not simply passively take notes on a lecture or listen to other students answer questions. The faculty then uses these student responses to guide what have turned out to be very lively discussions to ensure that students understand important points raised by the assignments. Fortunately, we have knowledgeable and experienced

faculty members who understand what students must learn and who can use the fast-paced exchange between students to bring out salient points.

Another new approach is aimed at dealing with an unfortunate byproduct of computer research, a lack of real depth in research and analysis. Therefore, beginning this year, students will work through a particular case over the entire fall semester. They will research various aspects of the case, discuss their findings in class, and then put all they have learned together in a memorandum of law toward the end of the semester. As the students mature and master various concepts through the semester, they will apply their new skills to identify and grapple with

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the more sophisticated facets of the problem. Again, students will be required to engage in the process by reporting in class how they approached the research, what tools they used, what they found, and what they concluded about the issues. Through class discussions, they will be able to see immediately whether they not only found and analyzed a few appropriate authorities, but also investigated the issues in depth and grappled with the uncertainties and nuances.

Of course, not everything is changing. Students still write legal analyses of various depths and complexity and receive individual feedback from their teachers. In addition, as in previous years, our first-year students will have the unique opportunity to work with our Writing Specialist, Sally Spurgin, through one-on-one tutoring and through a series of short lectures in which she presents practical tips to improve writing. Ms. Spurgin is uniquely qualified for the task. She taught

rhetoric and argumentation full-time in the Department of English, is the author of two Prentice Hall textbooks on argumentative writing, and has for 20 years conducted writing seminars for appellate and trial judges throughout the United States.

As most of our graduates can attest, the first-year legal writing course at SMU Dedman Law is rigorous. However, as students frequently report to us after clerkships and internships, it is well worth the significant effort required.

Phil Telford, Counsel and Senior Litigator for the FDIC in Dallas, agrees. “Due to their superior research and writing skills, our SMU Dedman Law interns have been able to ‘hit the ground

running,’ preparing quality memoranda, briefs, petitions, and trial documents for our attorneys,” says Telford. “It is a huge positive for us that the interns possess these superior writing skills from day one.”

Of course, we realize that the task of *mastering* legal research, writing, and analysis takes many years, but it is the goal of the SMU Dedman Law first-year Legal Research, Writing, and Advocacy course to give students a strong foundation upon which to build. ■

<sup>1</sup> Chickering, Arthur A. and Zelda F. Gamson. “Seven Principles for Good Practice in Undergraduate Education.” *AAHE Bulletin* Mar. 1987: 3-5.

<sup>2</sup> Faust, Jennifer L. and Donald R. Paulson. “Active Learning in the College Classroom.” *The Journal on Excellence in College Teaching* 9 (2) (1998): 3-24.

<sup>3</sup> Quotation variously attributed to Ambrose Bierce or Bill Wheeler.



# 2012 FEATURED GRADUATES

*Congratulations to the Class of 2012! A few of our graduates discuss their experiences at SMU Dedman School of Law*

## XIN CHEN



As a graduate student majoring in international economic law at China's Peking University Law School, Xin Chen

dreamed of learning abroad. Thanks to an exchange program between Peking University and SMU Dedman School of Law, she has had that opportunity.

"SMU Dedman School of Law is one of the top law schools in the United States, and it enjoys a great reputation for its international LL.M. program. Several Peking University alumni who had once studied at SMU Dedman Law shared their terrific experiences with me. So I applied for the Sohmen Scholarship Program provided by SMU Law School," says Xin Chen.

Xin Chen says she was very impressed by the dedicated and helpful professors at Dedman Law. "I will always remember my class presentations as well as the fantastic experience of meeting the professors during their office hours. Moreover, SMU Law School taught me not only the knowledge, but also the power of seeking knowledge, and the way to think as a lawyer," she says. She also appreciates the help she received from the Office of Career Services, including resume advice and mock interviews which prepared students for interviewing at the New York Job Fair.

After graduating from SMU, Xin Chen will return to China to finish her studies at Peking University. Afterward, she plans to go into government legal work or practice with a law firm.

## YUTTHANA SRISAVAT



Yutthana Srisavat earned his tax LL.M. from SMU Dedman School of Law in 2009 and is a candidate for

an S.J.D. in taxation in December 2012. He came to Dedman Law because the law school has been well-known in Thailand since the 1950s and the school's alumni have proven to be so successful. The Honorable Sobchok Sukhromna '81 is a prime example: he is the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Thailand and an SMU Dedman School of Law Distinguished Global Alumni Award winner.

Srisavat credits the law school's expansive alumni network in Thailand for making SMU Dedman Law one of the most popular law schools for Thai students.

Srisavat says he has had a wonderful experience at Dedman Law, noting the school's knowledgeable faculty, helpful librarians, and active student organizations. "I have had great opportunities to listen to distinguished guest speakers from various areas of law. Of course, what I got from them is so helpful in my career. In sum, SMU is an excellent school that I'm so proud of.

Srisavat is currently working at Siam University Faculty of Law.

## ANDREW GILLMAN



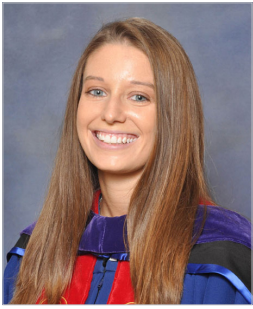
Andrew Gillman applied to law schools throughout the country, looking for a law school with an excellent

reputation and a strong network in Dallas and throughout Texas. After receiving the generous Hatton W. Summers Scholarship, Gillman decided to attend SMU Dedman School of Law.

"The best part about SMU Dedman Law was the people and the opportunities that the school provided to improve as a legal writer," said Gillman. While at school, Gillman served as the casenote and comment editor for the *Journal of Air Law and Commerce*, a part of SMU Law Review Association. Gillman also wrote an article under the direction of Professor Steinberg, which is being published in an upcoming edition of the *Securities Regulation Law Journal*. Gillman externed for the Honorable Judge Jane Boyle of the Northern District of Texas during the summer after his 1L year, which he says provided an incredible opportunity to apply his classroom skills in the courtroom.

Gillman graduated Co-Valedictorian and will start his career as an associate in the Dallas office of Jones Day.

## CHARLOTTE NALL



Charlotte Nall chose SMU Dedman School of Law because it is a highly-respected top law school that provides a

well-rounded legal education. She enjoyed Dedman Law because of the accomplished professors and the great relationships she formed with fellow students.

The school's various organizations made it easy for Nall to connect with other students and pursue her passion for public service.

"My position as the Angel Tree Coordinator gave me the opportunity to contribute to a program in which children who have one or more parents in prison are able to receive a Christmas gift, where otherwise they would not," says Nall.

At SMU Dedman Law, Nall served as a student attorney and chief counsel for the school's W.W. Caruth, Jr. Child Advocacy Clinic. Because of that experience, she expects to volunteer as a guardian and attorney *ad litem* in the near future. Nall was also an Assistant Managing Editor for the International Law Review Association, where she gained valuable experience in legal writing and editing.

Nall graduated as co-valedictorian and will clerk for Justice Phil Johnson at the Texas Supreme Court next year. Following her clerkship, she plans to come back to Dallas and work for the firm SettlePou.

## ESMERALDA TINAJERO



Esmeralda Tinajero chose to attend SMU Dedman School of Law because she felt it was the perfect fit for her.

Tinajero was

impressed by the fact that the classes were smaller than at other law schools, which she saw as an opportunity to interact with professors more than she had been able to during her days as an undergraduate and graduate student at the University of Texas at Austin.

Tinajero was awarded a full-tuition scholarship from the Dallas Bar Foundation, the Sarah T. Hughes Diversity Scholarship. The prestigious scholarship not only made her legal education affordable, it also gave her the opportunity to network at Dallas Bar Foundation events, meet members of the Dallas Bar Association, and even secure an internship at the Dallas City Attorney's Office her first summer.

"While at SMU Dedman School of Law, I was involved in various organizations and all of them made an impact on me in one way or another," said Tinajero. She was an active member of the Hispanic Law Student Associations, the Asian Pacific Law Students Association, the Christian Legal Society, and the Corporate Law Students Association.

"My participation in the Civil Clinic was one of my best experiences in law school," added Tinajero. "At the Clinic, I interviewed several applicants, represented a client in a family law matter, and helped represent two clients in a dispute against a mortgage company."

Tinajero graduated *magna cum laude* and was inducted into the Order of the Coif. For two years after graduation she will clerk for Judge Irma C. Ramirez of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas. After her clerkship, she will pursue employment in securities litigation and/or commercial litigation.

## BRENNAN MEIER



Brennan Meier graduated *cum laude* from Duke University with a bachelor's degree in Philosophy and a

Certificate in Markets and Management. He taught fifth grade for two years in Las Vegas as a Teach For America Corps Member prior to coming to SMU Dedman School of Law.

Growing up in Dallas, Brennan knew this was the place he wanted to live, work, and raise a family. When he was looking at law schools, he chose SMU Dedman School of Law because it was the best law school to help him get into the Dallas legal job market, plus his father graduated from the law school in 1976. "SMU Dedman Law has graduates in local prosecutor's offices, the federal judiciary, and most, if not all, law firms in Dallas. Through these SMU connections, I was able to intern for a federal district judge and for the United States Attorney's Office after my first year in law school," said Brennan. After his second year, he secured a position as a summer associate through the on-campus interview program, which resulted in an offer for full-time employment after graduation.

While it was the Dallas job network that drew him to SMU Dedman School of Law, the practical experience he gained in the law school's clinical program is what he feels prepared him to be a lawyer. As a student attorney in the Criminal Justice Clinic he defended over 20 indigent clients while gaining invaluable, real courtroom experience. SMU Dedman Law also has a multitude of extracurricular activities, so he was able to compete in off-campus mock trial tournaments and serve as an editor for the International Law Review Association.



Brennan graduated *magna cum laude* from SMU Dedman School of Law. He will clerk for Judge Jane Boyle of the Northern District of Texas beginning in August 2012, and then will join the litigation section of Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP following the clerkship.

## BRAD MONK



After touring the campus, Brad Monk knew Dallas was the city and SMU Dedman School of Law was the place for him. The law

school's reputation with the Dallas legal and business community—along with the great students and faculty he met—made moving from Arkansas to Dallas an easy decision.

Monk was very active on campus during his time in law school. He served as the President of the Christian Legal Society, was an Associate Managing Editor for the International Law Review Association, and was involved in the Federalist Society and the SMU Criminal Defense Clinic. In addition, he interned for a Federal District Court judge in Fort Worth and at the U.S. Attorney's Office in Dallas. Yet, he says, "I still managed to spend time on the golf course and play intramural sports."

Monk says going through a challenging experience like law school can actually be fun if you get to face it alongside good friends. "Despite taking on all of the new challenges associated with going to law school out of state, the culture of SMU Dedman School of Law paved the way for me to have a very smooth transition," says Monk. "The last three years have been some of the best years of my entire life."

Monk will begin his career as a litigation associate at Sedgwick, LLP in Dallas, where he will focus on product liability and specialty tort defense.

## AUDREY SULLIVAN



Before coming to SMU Dedman School of Law, Audrey Sullivan earned her Bachelors of Arts degree in government

with honors from University of Texas at Austin. She considers Dallas her home and chose SMU Dedman Law because the law school afforded her great opportunities for legal jobs in the D/FW area.

While attending SMU Dedman Law, Audrey was Staff Editor for the SMU Law Review Association, named an Israel Dreeben Scholar, and on the Dean's List for all six semesters she was in law school. Audrey was able to take advantage of the summer law program at Oxford University and really enjoyed the opportunity. She says her time at the law school was outstanding because it gave her a chance to get to know the faculty and work alongside some great classmates.

"I had some great teachers who really cared about the students, and I enjoyed getting to know the people in my classes," commented Audrey.

Prior to graduating in May 2012, Audrey was a summer intern for Justice Elizabeth Lang-Miers, Texas Fifth District Court of Appeals; a summer associate at Thompson & Knight; and a legal intern at the Public Utility Commission of Texas. Audrey will join Thompson & Knight as an associate in the real estate section.

# STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS SUPPORTED

*Annual programming takes place all over the city of Dallas, providing essential funds for qualified students at SMU Dedman School of Law*

SMU Dedman School of Law students bring a rich variety of experiences, accomplishments, and backgrounds which provide perspectives that enhance and diversify the learning atmosphere at the law school. In order to maintain this educational environment and continue to attract the most qualified, well-rounded, diverse students possible to SMU Dedman School of Law, funding scholarships is a key focus of the law school. Four very special events were held this year with the primary goal of supporting scholarships.



## ASSOCIATION FOR PUBLIC INTEREST LAW

*Proceeds support public interest summer interns*

The Association for Public Interest Law's Seventh Annual Live and Silent auction, held on March 31st, proved to be a "winning hand" for some SMU Dedman School of Law students. With the casino theme Auction Royale, proceeds from this year's auction permitted 13 students to work in public interest summer internships where they could help underserved communities in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. Dean Attanasio matched 100% of the amount raised. Event organizers were grateful to Professors Paul Rogers, Nathan Cortez, Anthony Colangelo, and Jeff Bellin for entertaining the crowd as auctioneers for the event.



## DALLAS BAR FOUNDATION STAGES ANNUAL BAR NONE SHOW & HOSTS NEW DINNER EVENT

*Proceeds support Sarah T. Hughes diversity scholarship*

An annual highlight for the Dallas legal community, the Dallas Bar Foundation BarNone Show was staged for four days in June. For more than 25 years, members of the Dallas legal community have taken the chance to put their legal careers behind them for the day and entertain others with the musical variety show, which benefits future law students. The Dallas Bar Foundation also hosted "An Evening with David Brooks" at the Belo Mansion on October 27, 2011. Rob Roby '77 served as Chair of the very successful event. Roby told those gathered at the elegant dinner that it was the inaugural year for what will become an annual event. Both events were held to raise funds for the Sarah T. Hughes Diversity Scholarships.

The Sarah T. Hughes Diversity Scholarship, created at SMU Dedman School of Law in 1981 by the Dallas Bar Foundation in honor of Judge Sarah T. Hughes, the first woman to serve as a federal district judge in Texas. For more than half a century, Judge Hughes devoted herself to improving the rights of women and minorities. Her legacy continues by helping exceptional students from diverse backgrounds pursue

a law degree at SMU. The Sarah T. Hughes Diversity Scholarship Program has provided more than \$1.6 million in scholarships to outstanding minority students at SMU Dedman School of Law. These students plan to practice in the Dallas area and add to the diversity of the legal community, which is a benefit for all. This year's Hughes Scholar, Esmeralda Tinajero, graduated *magna cum laude*, in the top 10% of the 2012 class and Order of the Coif.



## ROBERT H. DEDMAN AWARD FOR ETHICS AND LAW

The 11th Annual Robert H. Dedman Award for Ethics and Law Dinner was held October 4, 2011, to recognize the outstanding ethics of an individual in the practice of law. The award recipient was Dennis J. Grindinger '82, the Chief Financial Officer and Executive Vice President of Hunt Oil Company. At the awards dinner, it was also announced that the annual SMU Dedman School of Law scholarship was renamed "The Forrest Smith General Counsel Forum Scholarship" to memorialize and honor the creator of the Dedman Ethics Award and General Counsel Forum's Lifetime Achievement Award winner, Forrest Smith '63. Since its inception in 2001, the dinner event has raised more than \$165,000 in scholarship money to benefit law school students enrolled at the Dedman School of Law. This year, the scholarship recipients were Laura McKenery, Benjamin Fortner, and Alexander Prescott. ■



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For more information on the International Program, visit the [www.smu.edu/law](http://www.smu.edu/law) website and click under Academics.









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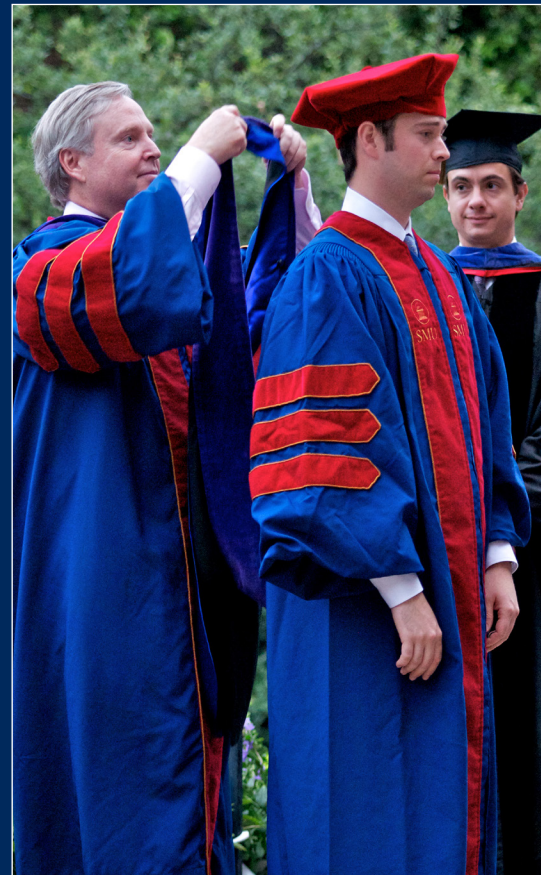
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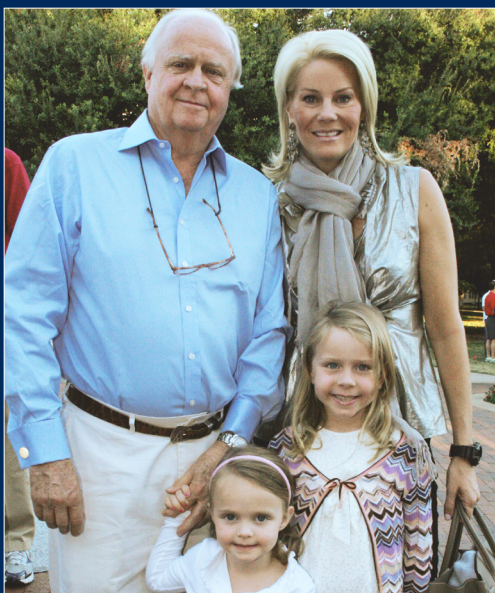
Left: ROBERT H. DEDMAN, JR. '84 gave the commencement speech. See excerpts from his speech in Class Notes, p. 109





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SMU vs. Stephen F. Austin  
Tailgate from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
Kickoff at 7:00 p.m.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15**  
SMU vs. Texas A&M  
Tailgate from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.  
Kickoff at 2:30 p.m.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29**  
SMU vs. TCU (Family Weekend)  
Kickoff at 6:00 p.m.

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18**  
SMU vs. Houston  
Tailgate from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
Kickoff at 7:00 p.m.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27**  
SMU vs. Memphis (Homecoming)  
Tailgate from 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.  
Kickoff at 2:00 p.m.

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10**  
SMU vs. Southern Miss  
Kickoff (TBD)\*

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24**  
SMU vs. Tulsa  
Kickoff (TBD)\*



CLE & DEAN'S RECEPTION

*Friday, April 20, 2012*

# 2012 REUNIONS

**REUNION WEEKEND** started on Friday afternoon with a Free 1.0 hour Ethics CLE and Alumni Reception open to all classes. Attendees also had the option to tour the Law Quad. On Saturday, the law school hosted its annual alumni reunions at the W Hotel in Victory Park. Attendees enjoyed a combined class cocktail reception followed by individual class dinners.

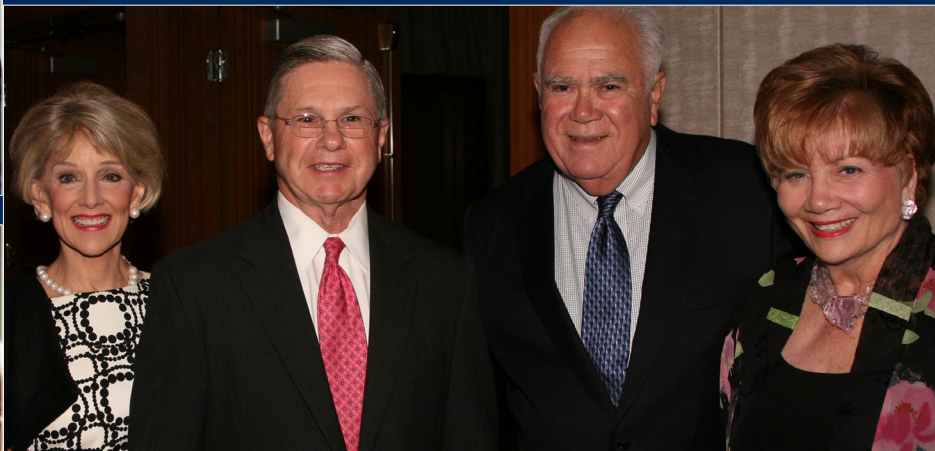
To view photos from the event, visit:

<https://www.law.smu.edu/Alumni---Development/Class-Reunions.aspx>





CLASS REUNIONS  
*Saturday, April 21, 2012*





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ALUMNI  
Thursday, June 14, 2012

# HOUSTON STATE BAR RECEPTION





# CLASS NOTES

## 1948

**Joseph Geary** was named a Knight in the National Order of the Legion of Honour for his service in the liberation of France during World War II.

## 1956

**Claude R. Wilson Jr.** was named honorary fellow for 2010-2011 by the Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants.

## 1959

**Marshall J. Doke Jr.** was appointed chairman of the standing committee on audit to a three-year term following his re-election by the American Bar Association Board of Governors.

**Charles W. Hall** was given the Texas Tax Legend Award by the Taxation Section of the State Bar of Texas.

**James H. Holmes III** was inducted into the Litigation Council of the State Bar of Texas as a Texas Legal Legend.

## 1963

**Buck Files** was elected as the 132nd President of the State Bar of Texas in June 2012 and published his article, "The Dream of Espirit de Bar," in the April 2012 edition of the *Texas Bar Journal*.

**Robert H. Mow Jr.** received the Ronald D. Secrest Outstanding Trial Lawyer Award by the Texas Bar Foundation and was named a Top 100 Texas Super Lawyer 2011.

## 1964

**Bill P. Davis** has joined Calvo Fisher & Jacob LLP as a partner in their new Dallas office.

## 1966

**George W. Bramlett Jr.** was named a Top 100 Texas Super Lawyer 2011 in the field of business litigation.

**David E. McLane** and wife, Shelley, welcomed a baby girl, Mackenzie Alexis McLane, on July 25, 2012.

**Richard G. Rogers** opened the Law Office of Richard G. Rogers in Dallas, Texas.

## 1967

**Jay Patterson** was named the Access to Justice Pro Bono Champion by *Texas Bar Journal*.

**Joe S. Macey** retired from the Maritime Administration after 37 years of government service.

**James H. Wallenstein** was named a Top 100 Texas Super Lawyer 2011 in the field of real estate.

## 1968

**Harry E. Bartel** received the 2011 Professional Advisor Award from the Community Foundation of North Texas.

**James W. Hackney** has opened an office for the practice of law, James W. Hackney, Counselor and Attorney at Law, in Austin, Texas.

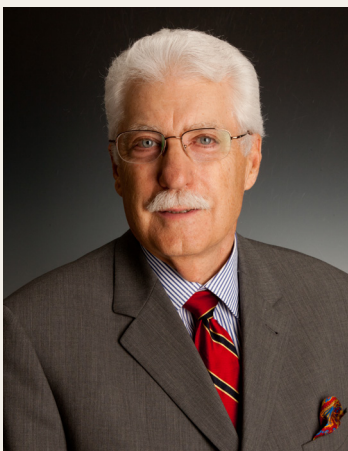
## 1970

**David L. Nelson** published his memoirs, "David and Lee Roy: a Vietnam Story."

## 1971

**Albon O. Head** is listed in the *Best Lawyers in America* for 2012.

**T. Mark Kelly** was confirmed a managing partner for Vinson & Elkins LLP.



## EDWARD V. SMITH, III '63 HONORED WITH THE STATE BAR OF TEXAS DISTINGUISHED PROBATE LAWYER LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The Real Estate, Probate, and Trust Law Section of the State Bar of Texas has recognized Edward V. Smith, III with the Distinguished Probate Lawyer Lifetime Achievement Award in recognition of his service to the bar. He is the second SMU Dedman School of Law alumnus to receive this distinction.

Smith is a fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel and the Texas Bar Foundation. He was Chairman of the Probate, Trust and Estate Section of the Dallas Bar Association (1982-1983) and was also a Council member of the Real Estate, Probate, and Trust Section of the State Bar of Texas (1998-2001). He served as both the State Membership Chairman and Regent of the American College of Probate and Trust Counsel. Smith is also the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award, Probate Section, Dallas Bar Association (2006) and the Morris Harrell Award for Professionalism, Texas Center for Legal Ethics and Dallas Bar Association (2006).

Smith is a member of the Society of Professionals in Dispute Resolution and serves as a court-appointed mediator. He received the Distinguished Alumnus Award from the SMU Dedman School of Law in 2005. With his wife, retired Dallas County Probate Judge Nikki DeShazo, he travels extensively and has written two suspense novels under the pen name of Hawthorne Vance.





## MICHAEL BOONE '67 RECEIVES AMERICAN LAWYER'S DISTINGUISHED LEADER AWARD

Michael Boone received the Distinguished Leader Award, presented by *The American Lawyer*. This is only the third time in the last eight years that this well-known trade publication has specified a single attorney for distinguished leadership—and the first time a Texan has been chosen.

One of the co-founders of Haynes and Boone, Michael Boone has more than 40 years of experience in mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance, securities transactions, and board of director representations. He has been selected as one of the 25 greatest Texas lawyers of the past quarter century by *Texas Lawyer* and was named Dallas Corporate Governance Law Lawyer of the Year in 2012 by *Best Lawyers*. Under Mr. Boone's leadership and guidance, the Haynes and Boone Corporate Practice Group has expanded into a nationally respected firm.

**Richard D. Pullman** joined Kessler & Collins, P.C. as Of Counsel in the firm's business litigation department.

### 1972

**Mike McCurley** was named in the list of "The Best Lawyers in Dallas," by *D Magazine*.

### 1973

**Chief U.S. District Judge S. Fred Biery** received the 2012 Jurist of the Year Award by the Texas chapters of the American Board of Trial Advocates.

**Rhett G. Campbell** has been named a Top 100 Texas Super Lawyer 2011 in the field of bankruptcy.

**Donald E. Godwin** has been named a Top 100 Texas Super Lawyer 2011 in the field of business litigation, one of America's Best Lawyers for 2012 and a Best Lawyer in Dallas by *D Magazine*.

**Ralph C. "Red Dog" Jones** published his article, "A Primer for Newbie Plaintiffs Lawyers," in the October 2011 edition of *Texas Lawyer*.

**Emily A. Parker** was named a Top 100 Texas Super Lawyer 2011 in the field of taxation.

**J. Anthony Patterson Jr.** is now Chief Administrative Officer & General Counsel for Northwest Healthcare, a multi-facility healthcare system in Kalispell, Montana.

### 1974

**Frank L. Branson** was named a Top 100 Texas Super Lawyer 2011 in the field of personal injury and granted the "Man in the Arena Award" by the Association of Plaintiff Interstate Trucking Lawyers of America.

**Craig T. Enoch**, co-founder of Enoch Kever PLLC Law Firm has merged with Casey, Gentz & Bayliff, L.L.P.

**William S. Garner** joined the international law firm Greenberg Traurig, LLP as a shareholder in the firm's Houston office.

**Gary L. Ingram** is listed in the *Best Lawyers in America* for 2012.

**David E. Keltner** was named a Top 100 Texas Super Lawyer 2011 in the field of appellate.

**David B. Moseley Jr.** presented "Have Gun, Will Travel: Dealing with Concealed Firearms in the World of Hospitality" at the 2012 Hospitality Law Conference.

**R. Barrett Richards** has joined Bell Nunnally & Martin LLP as a partner.

### 1975

**Steve Browne** received the Volunteer of the Year Award for the Southwest Region of the Foundation Fighting Blindness.

**James B. Davis** was included in the 2012 Florida Super Lawyer list for the Employee Benefits/ERISA practice area.

**Ted B. Lyon** was awarded the Teddy Roosevelt Conservationist of the Year by Big Game Forever.

**Edward B. Rust** has been elected Chairman of the Board for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

### 1976

**Roger J. Allen** has joined Holmes, Diggs & Eames, P.L.L.C.

**John W. Bickel II** was named a Top 100 Texas Super Lawyer 2011 in the field of business litigation.

**Jeff Coen** was a recipient of the Louise Raggio Women's Legal Advocate Award benefiting Legal Aid of North West Texas.

**Sander L. Esserman** was named a Top 100 Texas Super Lawyer 2011 in the field of bankruptcy and creditor/debtor rights.

**John B. Holden** was elected as one of Best Lawyers in America 2012.

**Michael P. Lynn** was named a Top 100 Texas Super Lawyer 2011 in the field of business litigation.



## GERALD FORD '69 RECEIVES ERNST & YOUNG LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Gerald J. Ford received the Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year 2012 Southwest Area North Award for Lifetime Achievement at the regional awards gala on June 23, 2012 in Dallas. Recognized as one of the world's most prestigious business awards for entrepreneurs, the award honored Ford for his lifelong career and many contributions to the banking world. This year's winners from 26 regions across the U.S. will compete for the national Entrepreneur of the Year Award at a black-tie gala on November 17, 2012 in Palm Springs.

Ford is one of the nation's most accomplished financial services executives. He has acquired, managed, and sold banking businesses and other financial services companies for more than 35 years. Ford currently serves as Chairman of Hilltop Holdings Inc., Pacific Capital Bancorp, and First Acceptance Corporation, and is a Managing Member of Ford Financial Fund, L.P. He is also a director of Freeport McMoRan Copper & Gold, Inc., McMoRan Exploration Company, and Scientific Games Corp. Ford was selected as a Distinguished Alumnus of SMU in 1995 and was honored with the Storey Award for Distinguished Achievement by SMU Dedman School of Law in 2002. Ford serves on the Executive Board of Dedman Law and as a trustee of SMU. He previously served as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of SMU.

### 1977

**Michael J. Collins** was named a Top 100 Texas Super Lawyer 2011 in the field of business litigation.

**Paul N. Gold** received the 2010 Jim Bowmer Professionalism Award given by the College of the State Bar of Texas.

**Richard K. Martin** joined the board of Goodwill Industries of Dallas, Inc. for a three-year term.

**Susan Mead** was elected as one of the Best Lawyers in America 2012.

### 1978

**Barry Sorrels** was named a Top 100 Super Lawyer 2011 in the field of criminal defense: white collar and published his article "Honoring the Profession" in the November 2011 edition of *Dallas Bar Association Headnotes*.

**Ronald Gaswirth**, a partner with Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP in Dallas, was named to the advisory board of the center for Retailing Studies at Texas A&M University.

**William Edwin McKellar** was named a Who's Who in Energy for 2011 by the *Dallas Business Journal*.

**Stephen E. Stein** has been named Chairman of the Corporate Counsel Section of the State Bar of Texas.

**Mark S. Werbner** was selected as a Top 10 Texas Super Lawyer 2011 in the field of business litigation.

### 1979

**Marshall Milby Gandy** was named head of the Examinations Program in the SEC's Fort Worth regional office.

**Mary Emma Karam** was promoted to partner with Jackson Walker L.L.P.

### 1980

**Jonathan K. Hustis** published an article, "Assignability Clauses in M&A – Pre-Transaction Implications."

**John V. Jansonius** was named a 2011 Texas Super Lawyer in the field of employment litigation.

**Linda Newman** joined Sammons Enterprises, Inc. as Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary.

**Gordon M. Shapiro** was selected as one of the Best Lawyers in America 2012.

### 1981

**Robert M. Candee** has joined as Of Counsel at The Vernon Law Group, PLLC.

**Michael G. Gruber** received the 2012 Justinian Award and was named a 2011 Texas Super Lawyer in the field of business litigation.

**Robert M. Hoffman** published his article, "What the Insurance Code Giveth, the Courts Cannot Taketh Away," in the October 2011 edition of *Dallas Bar Association Headnotes*. He was also named to *D Magazine's* list of The Best Lawyers in Dallas for 2012.

**William O. Holston** was appointed Executive Director of the Human Rights Initiative of North Texas.

**Sharon S. Millians** was named chair-elect of the Fellows of the Texas Bar Foundation.

**Jeff P. Prostok** was named as a 2011 Texas Super Lawyer in the field of bankruptcy and creditor/debtor rights.

**Julie H. Quaid** was named a 2011 Texas Super Lawyer in the field of family law.

**Mark A. Shank** was named a 2011 Texas Super Lawyer in the field of employment and labor.

**Paula Sweeney** joined Slack & Davis, L.L.P. as a partner.

**Louise Ellen Teitz** is serving as First Secretary at the Hague Conference on Private International Law.





## EMILY PARKER '73 NAMED MANAGING PARTNER AT THOMPSON & KNIGHT

Thompson & Knight, a global law firm with more than 300 attorneys, named Emily Parker as Managing Partner. Parker—who was the firm's first female attorney and its first female partner—became the firm's first female managing partner in February. She previously served as a Practice Group Leader and Hiring Partner and also served two terms on the firm's Management Committee.

Parker was previously Acting Chief Counsel and Deputy Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service, where she was responsible for nearly all legal matters within the IRS, as well as the leadership of the agency's 1,500 attorneys.

Throughout her career, Parker has been widely recognized and honored, most recently being named as Outstanding Texas Tax Lawyer by the State Bar of Texas Tax Section in 2012, as 2012 Dallas Litigation & Controversy-Tax Lawyer of the Year by The Best Lawyers in America, and appointed to the Best Lawyers® Advisory Board.

### 1982

**Mark T. Josephs** was selected as one of the Best Lawyers in America 2012.

**Kathleen LaValle** was selected as one of the Best Lawyers in America 2012.

### 1983

**James D. Bertsch** was named a 2011 Texas Super Lawyer in the field of construction litigation.

**Deborah G. Hankinson** was named a 2011 Texas Super Lawyer in the field of appellate and elected to the American Academy of Appellate Lawyers. She also spoke at the American Bar Association Section of Litigation Annual CLE conference in Washington, D.C.

**Michael W. Huddleston** was named a 2011 Texas Super Lawyer in the field of insurance coverage.

**James E. O'Bannon** was named a 2011 Texas Super Lawyer in the field of securities and corporate finance.

**Joseph D. Sheppard III** was named to the Ozark Technical College Foundation Board of Directors.

### 1984

**George Olsen Bennet** with wife, Catherine Bennet, welcomed their newborn son, James George Bingham Bennet.

**Michael W. Eaton** was featured as litigator of the week in the April 2011 edition of *Texas Lawyer*.

**Marc A. Myrin** joined Patton Boggs in Dallas as a partner.

**Katherine K. Kinser** published her article, "Paternity Fraud in Texas" in the September 2011 edition of *Dallas Bar Association Headnotes*.

**Mary R. Korby** was selected as one of the Best Lawyers in America 2012.

**Randall G. Ray** joined Munck Wilson Mandala, LLP as a partner.

**Jan O. Wolfe** published her article, "File Sharing Site Creators Get Personal in

Cloud Computing Suit," in the December 26, 2011 edition of *Texas Lawyer*.

**Sarah R. Saldaña** was confirmed by the full senate as a U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Texas.

**Terry Simmons** was recognized in the 2012 Tax Directors Handbook as "highly recommended for tax advice in charitable gift planning and tax-exempt sector."

### 1985

**Charla G. Aldous** was named a 2011 Texas Super Lawyer in the field of personal injury.

**Michele Wong Krause** is the Chair of the Asian Pacific Interest Section of the State Bar of Texas.

**Gregory W. Sampson** received the Star of Achievement Award for Best Feature Story in the *Dallas Bar Association Headnotes*.

**Angeline L. Bain** was named a 2011 Texas Super Lawyer in the field of family law.

**Stephen A. Youngman** was selected as one of the Best Lawyers in America 2012.

### 1986

**Kazem AB Buabbas** is a deputy head in the Department of Legal Advice and Legislation for the State of Kuwait.

**James R. Griffin** was selected as one of the Best Lawyers in America 2012.

**Grover Hartt III** received a Presidential Rank Award from President Obama.

**John K. Horany** joined Van Wey Law, P.L.L.C. as a senior managing attorney.

### 1987

**Roger Aksamit** was named in the 2012 Texas Directors Handbook for his "expertise in energy industry tax issues."

**David P. Benjamin** is a co-founder of Benjamin, Vana, Martinez, & Biggs, LLP.

**Amy Ganci** was named to the Board of Directors of



## RUSTY HARDIN '75 WINS ACQUITTAL FOR ROGER CLEMENS

Thanks to the work of Houston defense attorney and SMU Dedman School of Law alumnus Rusty Hardin, Roger Clemens was acquitted on June 19 of all charges that he obstructed and lied to Congress in denying he used performance-enhancing drugs to extend his long career as one of the greatest and most-decorated pitchers in baseball history. Hardin is best known for his pretrial preparation, incredible cross-examination skills, and "homespun" personality in front of a jury. He enjoys nothing more than pleading cases before juries.

Hardin taught American History at Montgomery Academy in Alabama before law school and left the U.S. Army with a rank of Captain after 15 months in Vietnam. More than 15 years as an assistant district attorney in Houston helped launch Hardin's legal reputation. He established Rusty Hardin and Associates, P.C. in 1996.

the Rockwall County Bar Association.

**Robert R. Kibby** was named section head of Munsch Hardt Kopf & Harr, P.C. corporate and securities group.

**Rose L. Romero** joined Thompson & Knight LLP as a partner.

### 1988

**Roy T. Atwood** was honored with LaunchAbility's Milton P. Levy Outstanding Volunteer Award.

**Nancy L. Patterson** was named a 2011 Texas Super Lawyer in the field of employment and labor.

### 1989

**Patrick J. Mulligan** was named a 2011 Texas Super Lawyer in the field of personal injury plaintiff.

**Kathryn J. Murphy** was named a 2011 Texas Super Lawyer in the field of family law.

### 1990

**Mark Courtois** co-published his article "Defense Counsel's Toxic-Tort Guide to Reporting Medicare Issues" in the January 2011 issue of *Texas Lawyer*.

**David Metzler** was named a managing shareholder of Cowles & Thompson.

### 1991

**Carlos F. Acosta** was named Inspector General for Prince George's County Police Department.

**LaDawn H. Conway** was named a 2011 Texas Super Lawyer in the field of appellate law.

**Diana S. Friedman** was named a 2011 Texas Super Lawyer in the field of family law.

**J. Gregory Marks** was named a 2011 Texas Super Lawyer in the field of personal injury plaintiff law.

**Karen S. Precella** was named a 2011 Texas Super Lawyer in the field of appellate law.

**Jennifer Louise Snow** joined Farrow-Gillespie & Heath LLP as an associate.

### 1992

**Catherine S. Collins** joined Warner, Norcross & Judd LLP as a partner in their Intellectual Property Law Practice Group.

**William R. Jenkins** was selected as a 2011 "Top Attorney" in Fort Worth by *Texas Magazine*.

**Robert H. Johnston, III** has co-published his article, "Global Patent Power on a Budget: Where in the World to File," in the November 2011 edition of *Dallas Bar Association Headnotes*.

### 1993

**David Gregorio Cabrales** was elected advisory chairman by United Way of Metropolitan Dallas.

**Deadra M. Grant** named a 2011 Best Lawyer by *D Magazine* and 2011 Texas Super Lawyer

in the field of criminal defense: DUI/DWI.

**Jeffrey T. Hall** was promoted to partner at Holden & Carr.

**Bryan P. Neal** published his article, "ADAAA Regulations," in the December 2011 edition of *Texas Lawyer*.

**Bryan D. Pope** was elected President of the Dallas Trial Lawyers Association.

**Albert C. Tan** was named an Advisor to the Asian Pacific Interest Section Council.

### 1994

**Jeff Anderson** was named to *D Magazine's* list of "The Best Lawyers in Dallas."

**Michael R. Cramer** joined Lloyd Ward & Associates as a partner.

**Earl M. Jones** returned as a shareholder to Littler Mendelson P.C. in the corporate compliance and ethics practice.

**Robert C. Wiegand** was promoted to Chief Operating Officer at Godwin Ronquillo PC.





## EDWARD B. RUST, JR. '75 ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF THE U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Edward B. Rust, Jr., was elected Chairman of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce by its board of directors.

"Ed is a leader on almost every major issue the Chamber has been working on," said U.S. Chamber President and CEO Thomas J. Donohue. "He is always the first person to step up to the plate to offer his time and energy to this institution."

Rust gave the SMU Dedman School of Law Hooding Ceremony Address last year, discussing the evolving nature of law and how the practice has changed since his own graduation.

Rust currently serves as chairman of the board and CEO of State Farm. He joined the company's Dallas regional office in 1975 and became president and chief executive 10 years later, holding his position as chairman of the board for the past 23 years. Rust is also on the boards of America's Promise Alliance, The James B. Hunt, Jr. Institute for Educational Leadership and Policy, and

Achieve, Inc. Former chairmanships include American Enterprise Institute, Financial Services Roundtable, National Alliance of Business, Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, Business-Higher Education Forum, and Business Roundtable's Education Initiative.

*David E. Harrell* was elected chairman of the Business Law Section of the State Bar of Texas for 2011-2012.

### 1996

*Christopher I. Clark* was promoted to partner at David, Goodman & Madole.

### 1997

*Stephanie Clouston* joined Alston and Bird LLP in Dallas as a partner in the litigation and trial practice group.

*Hansjoerg Heppe* with his wife, Chachy Heppe '99, welcomed the birth of their son, Wilhelm Vincente Felix Joachim Heppe.

*Brant C. Martin* was named a 2011 Texas Super Lawyer in the field of business litigation.

*Toni D. Nguyen* was named a Council Member of the Asian Pacific Interest Section.

*Stephanie K. Osteen* joined Jackson Walker L.L.P. as a partner.

*Curtis E. Smolar* joined Fox Rothschild LLP as a partner in the litigation department.

### 1998

*Andrea Shonn Brown* joined Gruber Hurst Johansen Hail Shank LLP as a partner.

*Richard A. Cuccia II* has founded Cuccia Legal, PLLC.

*David J. Drez* was named a 2011 Texas Rising Star by SuperLawyers.com.

*Gregory A. Kline* joined McCathern Mooty Grinke, L.L.P. as a partner.

*Paul A. Pilibosian* was promoted to partner in Hoover Slovacek LLP.

*Gene Roberts* was elected Chairman of the Dallas Bar Association's Alternative Dispute Resolution Section for 2012.

*William R. Weinberg* joined Quilling, Selander, Lownds, Winslett & Moser, P.C. as a shareholder and litigation attorney.

### 1999

*John K. Arnold* joined Winstead PC as a partner in the firm's energy and environmental law practice group.

*Christopher Shawn Cleveland* joined Jones Day as a partner in the Dallas Office.

*Louis S. Hakim* opened an office for the practice of law, The Hakim Law Firm PLLC.

*Jonathan C. Leatherberry* joined the Dallas office of Bracewell & Giuliani LLP as a partner.

*Jenny L. Martinez* was named to *D Magazine's* list of "The Best Lawyers in Dallas."

*Scott Meyer* was selected Membership Chairman of the Intellectual Property Specialized Litigation Group for DRI, formerly known as the Defense Research Institute.

*Francois Jean Soenen* was named general counsel at Itron, Inc.

*Jason Patrick Shanks* was selected as a 2012 Rising Star by Thomson Reuters.

*Dena DeNooyer Stroh* was named to the 2012 Texas Rising Star by SuperLawyers.com.

*Aimee Lynn Williams* was named to the 2012 Texas Rising Star by SuperLawyers.com.

### 2000

*David Stewart Clancy* became a shareholder in Akerman Senterfitt LLP.

*Benjamin F.S. Herd* joined Thompson & Knight LLP as counsel in the Real Estate and Banking Practice Group.

*Jason T. Little* joined McGlinchey Stafford PLLC as an associate in the consumer financial services sector.

*Angela M. Lopez* joined Badmus Law Firm.

*Kimberly Priest-Johnson* opened Priest Johnson PLLC in Dallas.

*David D. Rapp* became a partner at Eggleston, Flowers & King, LLP.



## ROBERT H. DEDMAN, JR. '84 DELIVERS HOODING CEREMONY ADDRESS

Robert (Bob) H. Dedman, Jr., General Partner of Putterboy, Ltd., President and CEO of DFI Management, Ltd., and a member of the family that named SMU Dedman School of Law, gave the Hooding Ceremony Address on May 12, 2012.

Dedman told the Class of 2012 that his father always said you should “introduce a talk with a bit of humor, then you would get the audience to listen.”

Dedman’s inspirational remarks were humorous indeed—and very personal as he shared a story about his father, Robert Dedman, Sr.

Dedman told the graduates that Robert Dedman, Sr. had grown up very poor, and that the poverty and the pride of those early years had instilled the roots and the wings for his father’s great success. When his father was about the same age as the graduates, he developed a plan for life. As Dedman, Sr.’s career was developing, he liked to explain his plan to young people—a plan the

elder Dedman loved because of its simple, yet profound message.

Dedman, Sr. saw life like a four-legged chair. Each leg of the chair is important because each leg is a metaphor for life. The legs must be strong and sturdy, and the legs should be of equal length in order to create a meaningful and fulfilling life. Then using the acronym P.L.A.N.—P-Planning, L-Learning, A-Attitude, N-Noble purpose—Dedman described how each letter of the acronym represented a leg of the chair and its importance.

Dedman concluded by telling the graduates, “My hope is that you will remember Robert’s simple yet profound message about the four-legged chair P.L.A.N.: planning, learning, attitude, and noble purpose. If you do, I think that you will live a fairy tale kind of life, a fairy tale because it will have a happy ending.”

*John Brian Williams* was appointed Judge for the Rockwall County Court.

### 2001

*John A. Harper III* joined Haynes & Boone, LLP in Houston as Of Counsel in the Labor and Employment practice group.

*Barbara S. Nicholas* published her article, “Obtaining the Benefits of Chapter 95,” in *Texas Lawyer*.

### 2002

*John D. Auty* was appointed partner at Thompson, Coe, Cousins & Irons, LLP.

*Vishal Chander* was named an Advisor to the Asian Pacific Interest Section Council.

*Richard D. Deutsch* was elected partner at Andrews Kurth LLP.

*Brent T. Huddleston* accepted Of Counsel with Haynes & Boone, LLP as leader of the immigration practice law group.

*Douglas C. Heuvel* was elected to serve on the board of directors of Mental Health America of Greater Dallas.

*Michael Lang* has been named a 2012 Texas Rising Star by SuperLawyers.com.

*Kevin M. Nalu* accepted a position at UTC Fire and Security Corporation.

*Charles Jeffrey Novel* was elected director of Kane, Russell, Coleman & Logan PC.

*Bevan Brooks Rhine* became a non-capital member of Cobb Martinez Woodward PLLC.

*Stephanie Smith* was recently named a 2012 BTI Client Services All-Star for corporate counsel.

### 2003

*Alan M. Bush* was selected as a 2012 Super Lawyer Rising Star by SuperLawyers.com.

*Brett M. Charhon* became a principal at McKool Smith in Dallas.

*Mark A. Dodd* became a partner at Sidley Austin LLP in Dallas.

*Habeeb Gnaim* was elevated to equity shareholder at Chamberlain Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Aughtry.

*Brett F. Gunter* became a partner in Eggleston, Flowers & King, LLP.

*Kendall Hayden* won the Outstanding First Year Director Award by the Dallas Bar Association.

*Lacy Leonard* became a partner in Martens, Todd & Leonard.

*John McGowan* was promoted to partnership within Haynes & Boone, LLP.

*Rachel C. Walters* was appointed to partner at Thompson, Coe, Cousins & Irons, LLP.

*Clyde Russell Woody* became a partner at Hartzog Conger Cason & Neville.

*Matt Zmigrosky* was promoted to partnership within Haynes & Boone, LLP.

*Gene R. Besen* was elected partner in SNR Denton US in Dallas for litigation.





## MARK SHANK '84 ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF BOARD FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Dallas Area Habitat for Humanity has elected top commercial and employment litigator Mark Shank as the Board Chair. Shank has been involved with Dallas Area Habitat for Humanity since 2001, when he served as a volunteer with the Dallas Bar Association. He has been a member of the Dallas Area Habitat Board of Directors since 2006.

Mark Shank is a partner with Gruber Hurst Johansen Hail Shank LLP and currently serves as legal counsel to U.S. Congressman Pete Sessions. Shank is Board Certified in Civil Trial Law and Labor and Employment Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization and is an arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association. Shank has received many honors and awards throughout his career, including "Best Lawyers in America, Commercial Litigation and Labor & Employment Litigation" from 1995-2012, and "Best Lawyers in Dallas," by *D Magazine*, 2001-present.

**Jennifer Rudenick Ecklund** was recognized as a "Future Star" by Benchmark Litigation.

**Yolanda D. Eisenstein** published her article, "Animals, Lawyers, and the Law," in the November 2011 edition of the *Texas Bar Journal*.

**Christopher M. Farish** was named a 2012 Texas Rising Star by SuperLawyers.com in the field of family law.

**Al Z. Lazarus**, formerly of Tarrant County District Attorney's Office, joined Evans, Daniel, Moore, Evans & Lazarus.

**Sean E. O'Rourke** was named a 2012 Texas Rising Star by SuperLawyers.com.

### 2004

**Rebekah Steely Brooker** was elected to the Executive Board as Treasurer of the Texas Young Lawyers Association.

**Jared S. Pope** is Of Counsel at Fisher & Phillips LLP.

**Sarah L. Rogers** received the Texas Young Lawyers Association President's Award of Merit and was promoted to partner at Thompson, Coe, Cousins & Irons, LLP.

**Nathan T. Smithson** was promoted to partner at Jackson Walker L.L.P.

**Scott. C. Thomas** was promoted to principal at Fish & Richardson P.C.

**Joshua Trahan** was selected as a Rising Star in the field of personal injury defense: general in the *Louisiana Super Lawyer 2012* publication.

### 2005

**Brian A. Bolton** joined the Thompson & Knight LLP real estate & banking practice group.

**J. Carl Cecere** joined Hankinson LLP.

**James Gourley** was promoted to partner with Carstens & Cahoon, LLP.

**Jonathan Ryan Childers** was named a 2012 Texas Rising Star by SuperLawyers.com.

**Michael Regitz Jr.** received the Star of Achievement Award for the best human interest article published in *Dallas Bar Association Headnotes*.

**Dennis L. Vautrot** joined Munck Wilson Mandala, LLP as an associate.

### 2006

**Travis L. Bogetich** joined Quilling, Selander, Lownds, Winslett & Moser, PC as an associate.

**David E. Colmenero** was named the 2011-2012 chairman of the Dallas CPA Society.

**Remy P. Davis** was promoted to senior associate at Klemchuk Kubasta LLP.

**Meyling Ly** became an associate of Littler Mendelson P.C.

**Byron T. Wilems** joined Winstead PC as an associate with the real estate development and investment practice group.

**Ramona M. Soto** was promoted to senior attorney at Godwin Ronquillo PC.

**Christopher Joe Theriot** published his article, "Kerry, McCain Introduce Bill to 'Check In' on the Growing Concern of Online Privacy for End Users" in the *Texas Bar Journal*.

**Meredith P. Walker** joined Fisher & Phillip LLP as an associate.



## ROSE MARIE GLAZER '90 APPOINTED GENERAL COUNSEL FOR SIEMENS CORPORATION

Electronics giant Siemens Corporation appointed Rose Marie Glazer as Senior Vice President and General Counsel in 2012. Glazer—the first female General Counsel of Siemens for the U.S.—is responsible for the legal and compliance functions of Siemens USA. Glazer joined Siemens in 2004 and served most recently as General Counsel for Siemens PLM Software based in Plano, where she was responsible for the global legal affairs of the company, as well as oversight of all corporate governance matters. Glazer also held the position of General Counsel for Siemens Mesoamerica, overseeing the legal department in Mexico, Central America, and the Caribbean.

In 2011, Glazer was named one of the most important Hispanics in Technology by *Hispanic Engineer and Information Technology* magazine and received the 2011 Hispanic Bar Association Corporate Counsel Diversity Award.

**Steven Washam** was promoted to shareholder at Harper Washam LLP.

### 2007

**Russell Booth** joined Barnes, Lipscomb, & Stewart PLLC in Austin as an associate.

**Trey Crawford** was named a 2012 Texas Rising Star by SuperLawyer.com.

**Daniel J. Hopper** joined Thompson & Knight LLP in real estate and banking practice group.

**Steven W. Hopkins** became an associate of Gruber Hurst Johansen Hail Shank LLP.

**Jennifer M. Hurley** is an associate at Thompson & Knight LLP in the labor and employment practice group.

**Teresa Lauren Harrold Michaud** was selected as a participant in the Leadership Arts Institute for the Business Council for the Arts.

**John T. O'Connor** was honored by the State Bar of Texas with the Frank J. Scurlock Award for his outstanding pro bono work.

**Tabor J. Pittman** joined the Greenberg Traurig, LLP Dallas office as an associate in the corporate and securities practice group.

**Sirjana Sharma Dhakal** started her own law firm in Nepal and is working as a legal officer for the Sister Service Society.

### 2008

**Lindsay Daye Barbee** joined Rochelle & Rankin LLP as an associate.

**William Cole Bredthauer** joined Thompson & Knight LLP as an associate in the oil and gas practice group.

**Treyson J. Brooks** joined Quilling, Selander, Lownds Winslett & Moser, PC.

**Austin Champion** joined Klemchuk Kubasta LLP as an associate.

**Lacy L. Durham** received the Texas Young Lawyers Association President's Award of Merit.

**Leila Henderson Gary** joined Quilling, Selander, Lownds, Winslett & Moser, PC as an associate.

**Rick Jordan** was named to *D Magazine's* list of "The Best Lawyers in Dallas."

**Christian S. Kelso** joined Malouf Lynch Jackson & Swinson PC as Of Counsel.

**Adam Nunnallee** joined Akerman, Senterfitt LLP as an associate.

**D. Michelle Vincent-Parker** was elected to the board of directors for the Dallas Area Habitat for Humanity.

**Andy Mielnik** is a clerk for the Honorable Dwight Goains, U.S. Magistrate Judge for the U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas, Pecos Division.

### 2009

**Matthew A. Bahl** joined Verrill Dana LLP as an associate in the labor and employment and franchise and dealership groups.

**Diana K. Cochrane** became an associate of Gruber Hurst Johansen Hail Shank LLP.

**Daniel A. Dowdy** joined Bell Nunnally & Martin LLP as an associate.

**Michael Gavin** joined Liechty & McGinnis, LLP, where he represents lenders, developers, and other real estate consumers in commercial real estate transactions.

**Bejan Kamran Ghatrehree** joined Calvo, Fisher & Jacob LLP as an associate in the new Dallas office.

**Rwan Saffarini Hardesty** became an associate of Macdonald Devin P.C.

**Lauren Godfrey** joined Quilling, Selander, Lownds, Winslett & Moser, PC as an associate.

**Natalie A. Smeltzer** received the 2012 Burton Award for Legal Achievement for co-authoring an article in the November 11th edition of *The Business Lawyer*.

**Bradford T. Smith** joined Kane Russell Coleman & Logan PC as an associate in the litigation sector.

**Robert A. Tarleton** became an associate at Fizer Beck Webster Bentley & Scroggins.





## BETH MYERS '91 HEADS ROMNEY'S VP SELECTION

Republican Presidential nominee Mitt Romney chose Beth Myers, his longest-running aid, to oversee the process of choosing his running mate. Myers served as Romney's chief of staff during his Massachusetts gubernatorial term and managed his 2008 presidential campaign. Since she joined the Romney gubernatorial campaign in 2002, Myers has remained one of Romney's most trusted confidants.

After completing her undergraduate degree at Tufts University in 1979, Myers worked on Ronald Reagan's 1980 presidential bid and went on to work for a number of other candidates and on get-out-the-vote operations across the country. After Romney's 2008 campaign, Myers—with other Romney advisers—opened the Shawmut Group, a political consulting firm.

### 2010

**Joseph B. Ayo** joined Hall, Estill, Hardwick, Gable, Golden & Nelson, P.C. in Tulsa as an associate in the field of corporate and energy law.

**Joel M. Bagby** joined Brown McCarroll, L.L.P. as an associate and member of the litigation team.

**Brandon K. Bartee** joined Winstead PC as an associate in the real estate structured finance practice group.

**Victoria L. Burress** joined Hartline Dacus Barger & Dreyer LLP as an associate.

**M. Angelita Delgadillo** joined David, Goodman & Madole as an associate.

**James S. Frederick** joined The Bassett Firm as an associate.

**Katrina Gallaher-Maher Eash** joined Fish & Richardson P.C. as a litigation associate.

**Gemma Galeoto** joined Quilling, Selander, Lownds, Winslett & Moser, PC as an associate.

**Hayden Hodges** became an associate at Brice, Vander Linden & Wernick, P.C.

**Vanessa P. Jeffries** joined Quilling, Selander, Lownds, Winslett & Moser, PC as an associate.

**Rachel Kingrey** joined Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP as an associate.

**Shruti Krishnan** joined Looper Reed & McGraw as an associate.

**Andrew C. Mosier** joined Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP as an associate.

**Grant R. Neidenfeuhr** joined the Tinsley Law Firm as an associate.

**Matthew H. Swerdlow** joined Thompson & Knight LLP in the real estate and banking practice group.

**Aaron Stendell** became an associate at Tollefson Bradley Ball & Mitchell, L.L.P.

**Meredith Vander Wilt** joined Winstead PC as an associate in the tax and employee benefits practice group.

### 2011

**Nicole Hay** joined Hiersche, Hayward, Drakeley & Urbach, P.C. as an associate.

**Elizabeth R. Oliver** became an associate at the Law Offices of Joseph P. Rubin.

**Samantha R. Palma** became an associate at Eggleston, Flowers & King, LLP.

**Meredith L. Perry** joined Wick, Phillips, Gould & Martin, LLP as an associate in the commercial litigation department.

# IN MEMORIAM

*SMU Dedman School of Law expresses sympathy to the families and friends of the following law school alumni*



## **WEBBER W. BEALL, JR. '59**

Webber W. Beall, Jr. '59 died on August 10, 2012, at the age of 80. Beall was a dear friend to the law school and will be greatly missed.

Born and raised in Mt. Pleasant, Texas, Beall received his degree in accounting from SMU and served in the United States Air Force for two years. He graduated from SMU Dedman School of Law in 1959 and was a partner for over 40 years with the law firm of Touchstone, Bernays, Johnston, Beall, Smith & Stollenwerk. Beall was a member of the Texas Association of Defense Counsel and the Federation of Insurance and Corporate Counsel and was a life member of the Texas Bar Foundation. He was a councilman of the Town of Highland Park, served on the SMU Dedman School of Law Executive Board, and was a director of the Dedman Law School Alumni Association. In addition to his positions on a number of boards and his involvement with numerous organizations, Beall was an elder at

Highland Park Presbyterian Church and a life patron of the Salesmanship Club of Dallas.

Beall is survived by his wife of 55 years, Tricia Smith Beall; three children, Webber Wesley Beall III, Libby Beall Goff, and Carol Beall Carr; their spouses; and 10 grandchildren.



## **JOHN CRAMER BIGGERS '55**

John Cramer Biggers, 81, died on February 1, 2012, after a brave battle with cancer.

Born in Dallas in 1931, Biggers graduated from Highland Park High School. He attended Southern Methodist University for both his undergraduate and legal education. Beginning his career in the United States Air Force as a Judge Advocate, he served in Roswell, New Mexico and was stationed as a JAG officer in England. Upon his return, he joined Biggers, Baker, Lloyd and Carver, the law firm founded by his father in 1923.

Biggers was an active member at Highland Park United Methodist Church where he served as Chairman of the Administrative Board. He was a generous supporter of many important causes such as The Salvation Army, the Wesley-Rankin Community Center, and the Dallas Arboretum. Biggers also served on the Executive Board at the Dedman School of Law and was a member of the Dallas Bar Association and the Dallas Petroleum Club.

Biggers was a beloved father, grandfather, and husband. He is survived by his wife, Lynn Ripley Biggers; his daughter, Rebecca Lynn Biggers; and sons, Stephen Biggers and Ted Biggers; as well as three grandsons, William, Bradfield, and Huntington.



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